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# TIMMY ROO

CRAIG MACKENZIE

Jimmy Rooney slipped quietly into retirement last weekend but is widely tipped to be appointed coach of Victorian club Croydon City for the 1984 season with Gus Macleod as his assistant.

Rooney was substituted in the 69th minute playing for Croydon against Green Gully Ajax in the Dockerty Cup quarter-finals and few people realised, as Rooney trudged off the field, that this had been his swansong in competitive soccer.

off the field, that this had been his swansong in competitive soccer. The 37-year-old former Socceroo captain, with 100 national team appearances to his name, second only to the great Peter Wilson who made 114 appearances, would have retired last year had he finished the season in NSL ranks with Heidelberg Alexander. "That's the way I would have liked it — bowing out at the highest club level possible." Rooney said.
"I could go on, playing in the lower leagues, but that's not for me. There comes a time when you have to take a long, hard fook at yourself and that time has come for me. I've

Thrilling end to the NSL:

St George or Makedonia?

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Jimmy Rooney

always set myself fairly high standards and, unfortunately, I'm no longer able to reach

I'm no longer able to reach them.
"Some of the things I've rears, I'm no longer able to do, I'm not as young as I used to be, you know."
Rooney played with English

be, you know."

Rooney played with English club Peterborough and Scottish club Montrose before coming to Australia in 1968 to join the now defunct USC Lions in the Victorian State

League He transferred to Prague in Sydney in 1970 and two seasons later switched to APIA for 57,000.

"I had five great years at APIA. I had become an international with Prague but right in the middle of my stim with APIA. I played with Australia in the 1974 World Cup finals—an unforgettable experience." Rooney joined Marconi in 1977 then switched to Heidelberg Alexander in 1979. He was unceremoniously dumped by Heidelberg last year and ioined Croydon Croes Australia consistently have paid glowing tribute to Rooney's ability and professionalism. Justifiably so, His 16 seasons in Australian soccer have been crowned with personal and public glory. He has, at all times, been the model player, on and off the park.

Rooney leaves behind won-facilial magnices which uper-

Roonev leaves behind wonderful memories which never will be forgotten by thousands of soccer lovers in this coun

On their behalf, let me simply say, thanks Jimmy



Two years of dedication and heartbreak were rewarded when Stefan Mila (right) of Polonia won the Victorian Rothmans Medal last Thursday.

Mila left his wife Ursula (left) and daughter Katarina (second from right) behind in Poland when he came to Australia in early 1982. He wanted to save some money and make a bome for them there before having them join him.

So he worked long hours in a factory,

A photographer with a sense of hu reckons Mila has completed a Polish fecta: first the Pope, then the Nobel I (Lech Walesa) and now the Rothn Medal.

Make that a quadrella — because Jan Kierno of Polonia Adelaide won the South Australian Rothmans Medal only a few weeks ago.

- LAURIE SCHWAR



Jimmy Rooney leaves with a laugh, as Jim Williams of Ajax bares his behind while changing shorts on the pitch during the Dockerty Cup quarter-finals.

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Phil O'Connor of Wollongong is Australia's No. 1 soccer player.

With one round to go, he has won the \$1500 prize in the Boral Bricks — "Soccer Action" national player of the year award.

the year award.

The brilliant striker earned five votes for his display against Brisbane Lions last Sunday, leaving him eight ahead of second-placed Charlie Yankos (Heidelberg) who polled only two votes.

uring his overseas trip.

He also will go to the U.S. to find out you the latest developments in indoor your the latest developments.

Sheenhan said he would speak with Eu-pean TV networks about the possibility f selling TV nights to games in Australia

- LAURIE SCHWAB

This suggests the ASF may be plan in inder soccer tournament for 1984.

With a maximum of only six votes available to Yankos in the last round, he is unable to catch O'Connor, who won't play next week as Wollongong's league commitments are over for 183. The control of the most effective striking partnerships in the NSL, scoring 12 goals each.

"It's the most successful partnership I've ever had with an of the control of the control of the most successful artnership I've ever had with a side of the control of

o'Connor said now that his contract with Wollongong had expired, he was open to offers. Asked whether he and Cotton Asked whether he and Cotton may switch in a package deal, he said he doubted it. "If it did happen, it would have to be a Sydney club, because Roy's got a good job and he wouldn't move, whereas I'd go anywhere for the right offer," O'Connor, 29, said.

Asked whether 1983 had



Phil O'Connor

Phil O'Connor
been his best season, O'Connor
said: "It was one of my best,
sure, but I think one of my
years with APIA was even better."
O'Connor came to Australia
in 1975 from England where he
played for Luton Town. His
first club here was the now defunct Wollongong City, from
where he joined St George
Budapest for \$9000 in early
1977. He had scored 12 goals
for Wollongong in 1976, and
after joining Saints he scored
eight in 1977. Il in 1978, and
seven in 1978. He then switched to APIA where he notched
10 in 1980 and seven in 1981. He

was Wollongong's top scorer with 16 in 1883, giving him a total of 71 in the NSL, and making him equal second to Gary Cole (Heidelberg) among the league's all-time top scorers. Mark Jankovics (Marconi) and John Kosmina (Sydney City Hakoah) also have 71.

O'Connor starred for Australia in its three-match series against England this year. His total for Australia to Zž. 15 of which have been in full internationals.

The "Soccer Action" Player

which have been in full internationals.

The "Soccer Action" Player of the Year award, dates back to 1976.

That year, it was split between NSW and Victoria, with Bruce Stowell of Pan Hellenic being the NSW wifner and Steve Kokoska (Sunshine) the tops in Victoria.

Winners Since then: 1977- Jimmy Rooney (Marconi); 1978-1. Ken Boden (Newcastle); 1978-1. You Prskalo (Marconi); 1980 and 81: Jim Hermiston (Brisbane City); 1982-Peter Katholos (Sydney Olympic).

• Progress voting page

### OUNG

The Institute of Sport in Canberra expected to assume much of the sponsibility for the Australian

ing camps. It also has suggested that the Institute, rather than the ASF, should finance the youth tamin's overseas tours, through Government cash.

This means that Australia may in future compete in the World Youth

W. Berlin

to meet

Victoria,

Makedonia

pense.

The ASF's commercial director, Peter Shaehan, said before leaving on a trip to London last week.

"Youth soccer, while it is no doubt a vehicle for chest-beating, has proved to be a commercial disaster, because the games are never played here.

He said a statement on the Institute's involvement was expected to be made

Sheehan will try to organise at least

The West Berlin representative team will play against Victoria in early January.

The tour itinerary has not yet been final-ised, but it will include games in Sydney and against Preston Makedonia at Connor Reser-ve, in Reservoir and Morwell Falcons in Mor-

On its way to Australia, West Berlin will play several matches in China.

play several matches in China.

The touring squad is made up of the best players in the top Berlin leagues, and it will be led by the secretary/manager of the Berlin Soccer Federation, Wolfgang Levin.

Coach is former Bundesliga player Friedhelm Haebermann who was captain of Eintracht Braunschweig for two years.

The team's star forward is Harald Kaepernick (Blau Weiss 90) who was Berlin's top scorer with 30 goals last season.

The West Berlin squad, with players' ages and clubs: Hølger Gehrke, 22, Blau-Weiss 90, formerly FC Saarbruechen; Norbert Henkle, 91, Hertina BSC, Michael Schmidt, 31, Hertha 13; Michael Fiedler, 23, Tennis Borussia, ex-FC Saarbruecken; Mirko Misic, 23, Tennis Borussia; Alf Fistler, 18, Blau Weiss 90; Rainer Ecke, 26, Hertha BSC, Peter Stark, (capt), 29, Blau Weiss 80; Mario Miethig, 24, Tennis Borussia; Michael Horning, 27, Hertha 03; Rainer Schudel Horning, 27, Hertha 03; Rainer Schudich 1860; Michael Enders, 20, Tennis Borussia; ex-William Weiss 90, ex-Mirch 1860; Michael Enders, 20, Tennis Borussia; ex-Vis Stuttgart, Harald Kaepernick, 21, Blau Weiss 90, ex-Hamburger SV; Peter Frassmann, 25, Tennis Borussia; ex-Vis Blau Weiss 90, ex-Hamburger SV; Peter Frassmann, 25, Tennis Borussia; ex-Vis Blau Weiss 90; ex-Hamburger SV; Peter Frassmann, 25, Tennis Borussia; ex-Vis Blau Weiss 90; ex-Hamburger SV; Peter Frassmann, 25, Tennis Borussia; ex-Vis Blau Weiss 90; ex-Hamburger SV; Peter Frassmann, 25, Tennis Borussia; ex-Vis Blau Weiss 90; ex-Hamburger SV; Peter Frassmann, 25, Tennis Borussia; ex-Vis Blau Weiss 90; ex-Mirka BSC; Reserves to make the trip in case of injuries. Michael Steiner, 27, Hertha 33, Kim Konrad, 29, Blau Weiss 90; Erant schunde 10, REF Democratic Parkers 10, 1980.



The West Berlin representative squad during a recent selection trial, from left, back row: Wolfgang Levin (secretary-manager, Berlin federation), two other officials, K. Nagel, J. Kirsohbaum, R. Sohure, M. Fiedler, A. Gehrmenn. Middle row: M. Misic, M. Enders, F. Schwabe, P. Frassmann, F. Schroeder, M. Hornig, L. Knobel, P. Stark. Front row: F. Haebermann (coach), K. Konrad, R. Ecke, J. Rinke, N. Henkel,

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# World Cup

# ANDREW COLUMN

Cut that yellow hysteria!

An obsession has grown up among fans with the "yellow card". Every time a foul is com-mitted. (by the opponent, of course), they scream for the refer-ee to flash it.

The card has become a symbol of punishment or humiliation, a milder form of public execution.

Far too many referees also use it as a weapon of their authority; the worst types almost shove it into the player's face.

The card provides new roles for referees with a flair for the theatri-

All the suppressed and latent yearnings for authority now gain an expression in the flashing of a card, held high, as if to say:

"I'm the boss, this is the culprit,



# England a treat

Giving

# ruled by television

Get ready, once again, for some dawn awakenings — or taking sickies — when the 1986 World Cup finals roll along.

The Mexican Organising Committee has proposed to start all matches at 11 am, 12 noon, 3 pm and 4 pm.

Not because this is the ideal time of day in the hot Mexican climate — but because European TV

This way in Europe the matches will be screened 'live' the same evening, at 7 pm, 8 pm, 11 pm or midnight. Mexico is about eight hours behind-Europe.

Now, as Mexico is some 17 hours behind Australia (not to mention other things), viewers in the Eastern States will have to rise at 4 am or 5 am

Quite a few sensible forms are likely to be in-oduced next year in the SL. More about them

But I'd like to suggest another ne for consideration.

And this is to suggest another one for consideration.

Its introduction at a World Cup
— in 1974 — was prompted by
confusion at international level,
due to language problems.

Often players didn't know hether they had been cautioned or merely warned.

The yellow card erased that doubt. This became the international symbol of caution.

Frankly, I couldn't see much point in adopting the system for domestic leagues — but almost all countries did, probably for the sake of uniformity.

Then, last year, the Football As-sociation (of England) dropped

e The Spanish Federation has ousted Atletico Bilbao's defender Antonio Gicoechea for 18 matches for a simple foul on the far from simple soccer God, Maradona.

Through the services of hannel O, I saw the in-dent: it was nothing more r less than a dozen fouls ommitted in the NSL every

reekend. Maradona just got the ball nd Gicoechea arrived a action late with his sliding

FIFA has yet to agree on the final format of the World Cup.

It seems certain that there will be 24 finalists. The 24 teams are likely to be placed in six groups of four teams where they play a round robin.

The two top countries (a total of 12) would qualify — as well as the foour "best" third-placegetters, based on points and goals.

placegeters, based on points and goals.

The remaining 16 teams would then proceed on a knock-out basis — one loss and you're out. It is absolutely certain that the draw will be "sended" (FIFA's terminology) or "arranged" (mine). Teams from Africa, Asia, Oceania, etc. will be spread out in the six groups: if Australia qualifies, we could have two European and one South American country in our group.

But the most dangerous aspect of the card-system is that some referees use it as an additional punishment.

When a foul is committed — and inthis contact sport that's unavoidable — referees can award a freekick, or a penalty.

Cautions are for extreme cases, ley should not be regarded a lostitute for freekicks.

But when a referee has the-cards in his picket, the temptation is there to show the player a yellow card — even if the same offence, in the past, would have been adequately covered with a freekick and a talking to.

At the recent Marconi v Sydney City match seven players were cautioned — and it was a very ordinary game by physical stan-

Then hou turn on your TV and watch games played in England where players rush into one another at 100 miles an hour — and the referee waves play on.

If the English referees used the weapon of caution with the same gay abandon as ours do, I guess 15 to 20 of players in every match would be booked and within two months clubs would have to use their youth tams, with the others serving suspensions.

Please don't get me wrong and write a tirade to the editor claiming that I encourage murder and mayhem on the field; I don't.

What I'm trying to discourage is a mindless, robot-like reaction to every foul — particularly when some totally biased fans scream their head off demanding a "yel-lowcard"

As long as we keep the card-aystem, some of our more impressionable referees will continue to use this weapon not to serve justice but a appease crowd.

Let referees enforce the laws of the game, let them stamp out dangerous play — but let them do it quietly, without this yellow hysteria.

And let the referees be the only ones who know whether a player has been booked or not apart from the player himself.

Right now, once a player has been shown a yellow card, he continues play as if on public trial with the crowd eggrify egging him into another caution — and

Soccer is a sport, not a circus

Soccer is a sport, not a circus - and referees are there to main-tain order, not to chuck players to the proverbial lions. Let's hope the NSL bosses - or the majority, anyway - will agree with my reasoning and banish the cards, preferably for good.

The phone rang; it was the voice of an excited soccer-father-coach on the line.

"Have I got a story for you," he said in a conspiratorial voice.
"Oh you?" I said, trying to remain calm.

"Oh yes?" I said, trying to remain calm."
"Oh yes," he said. "And we'd like you to write about it. You wanna know?"
"I'm dying to know."
"Wali," and he took a deep breath, "I'm calling from the Cranberry Eagles Junior Club. Heard about it?"
"Not recently no."

Heard about it?"
"Not recently, no."
"You will. Because we have just decided to send one of our teams to England in January. Isn't it marvellous?"
"It is," I said. "Which team?"

team?"
"Our Under 10s which fin-ished a creditable 6th in the comp but should have come at

least 5th."
"And what will they be doing in England?" I asked. "Are they staying there for

"And is that worth the ex-

nse?" "My oath it is. They will be playing against some of the world's best Under-10 teams."
"How do you finance the

"How do you mance the trip?"

"The kids have been collecting bottles, washing cars and holding functions for months," the Voice said. "We're also accepting donations."

"We're also accepting donations."
"That's nice of you."
"Thank you. Now, we feel that if we could have some publicity, perhaps people may vital to sand 10-year-olds to play in England in mid-winter?"
"Well," he said pensive, when not England? We've been everywhere now, Bankstown, Engadine and Hornsty, so we thought England would be nice. That's what the parents wanted, too."
"Any parents going with the team?"

"Any parents y"
team?"
"Any parents?" he gasped.
"We have 34 parents signed
up already."
"And how many players?"
"Sixteen."

"And how many players?"
"Sixteen."
"What will the parents be doing there?"
"We'll do a bit of sight-seeing, you know, The Tower, The Wax Museum, Soho..."
"Wouldn't it be more fun if you left the 16 kids at home?"
"Can't do that," he said, "otherwise how will the children learn soccor?"
"True," I agreed. "How will they?"

"True," I agree write some-thay?"
"So will you write some-thing on this tour? Promise?"
Well, I promised I would and I have.
I merely changed the name to protect the idiot.

# **Brazil tops**

Brazil, the aristocrat of world soccer, won a four-nation friendly tournament be-beating South Korea 1-0 before some 25,000 fans in Scool. It was a sweet revenge for the young Brazillians who lost to the hosts by an identical margin in a preliminary match.

match.

The Brazilians scored the goal in the 37th minute when midfielder Augilmar Silva, blasted a free kick into the net.

The other participating

The other participating countries in the week-long contest were Argntina and Mexi-

# lalent drains with the cash

American bankers around Wall Street, New York, are terribly worried about the economy of Brazil and Argentina who owe various banks some \$150 billion.

If the economy of these two countries keeps sliding towards bankruptcy — their once magical soccer will suffer.

accer will suffer.

Almost all the top players from Brazil and Argentina have already switched to Europe: Falcao, Ce-reto, Zico, Bastista, Ardilea, Aradona, Passarella, Bertoni, Kempas Diaz, and a lot of others are now with Italian, Spanish or English teams.

tinue. It's only a matter of time before the rest — Socrates, Eder, Junior, Luisinho, you name it — also will switch for the stronger lira, peseta or pound sterling.

Already it seems doubtful whether Brazil and Argentina can build totally new teams for the 1986 World Cup finals. I am worried, too. Actually, they owe me nothing; I decided long ago not to lend them a single peso or cruzeiro. And yet I am uneasy about the whole thing.

The Italian and Spanish clubs, where they earn their fortunes — such as Falcoa's \$800,000 a year—won't be keen to release them for the elimination matches and to produce another alimost complete generation of such stars is beyond even the powers of these superpowers.

If you feel you can help — if you can spare that measly \$150 billion — please contact Wall Street; you will go down as soccer's great benefactor.



Some of the past Rothmans Medal winners, from left: John Gardiner, David Baker, Pat Bannon, Minister of Sport Neil Trezise, Vince Bannon, Tommy Cumming, Jim Tansey and Bobby McGuinness. Pictures by LES SHORROCK.



A handshake that symbolises the new spirit of co-operation be-tween the VSF and the NSL. At left: VSF chairman Michael Weinstein, with NSL chairman Sam Papasavas, and NSL official Tony Kovac.



kner players, from left: Joe Palinkas, Ian Tuffield, and Cesare Fat-



 LEFT: Albion Rovers coach Hugh Rovers coach Hugh Murney (right) and team manager Joe Docherty (left) joke with Morwell Falcons president Don DiFabrizio. BELOW: The Juventus table, from left: Sam Manenti (president), Andrew Zinni, Billy Rogers, Joe Caruso (team manager). John Margaritis (coach) and Harry Hird.



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# WANTS

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Victoria's 1983 Rothmans Medallist Stefan Mila believes his club, Polonia, should be in the NSL next season.

"We have four or five high-gaulity players," he said through interpreter Milan Cvijic, the former J.U.S.T. goalkeeper. "But we need one or two good sponsors to help us financially, and we could use a couple of new players."

Mila pointed out that Polonia was negotiating for two ayers from Poland but when asked who they were, he Mila pointed use the players from Poland but when asked who they work, players from Poland but when asked who they work, said: "It is a club sacret."

We spoke to Mila the day after the presentation night, which he was unable to attend because he had the flu. It was his team manager, John Pater, who brought him the medal and the good news late on Thursday night.

Pater too feels that Polonia should be included in the NSL next season because, as the first Polish team in the league, it would represent an entirely new market.

represent an entirely new market.

But other clubs were pushing their case for promotion just as hard. Various clubs were seen speaking with NSL representatives Sam Papasavas and Tony Kovac.

Mila won the medal in a close tussle with Tommy Cumming (Croatia) who finished two points behind, in second place. Cumming also had finished second in the Bill Fleming Medal, won by Paul Lewis of Ajax.

Mila said he felt honored and proud. He said he had not given himself much of a chance against Cumming and Paul Lewis both of whom he described as excellent players.

Asked how it felt to be the first European player.

Asked how it felt to be the first European player to win the medal, he repeated: "I feel very proud." He added he would like to see more Continental players in the league, to lift he standard of skill.

"Last year the standard was better than this year," he said.

"Last year me standard was better than tins year," ne said.
Mila is easily distinguished on the field. He always wears a
bandage around his right hand, because he's self-conscious about
having had three fingers cut off in an accident.

He is one of four top-class Polish imports in the Polonia team.
The others are striker Janusz Przybyla, left back Mirek Smolarek
and goalkeeper Leszek Dzielakowski who is also player-coach.

Mila plays with the flair and skill one would expect from a man who played 12 games for Poland's Olympic team, and who starred for Gwardia Warsaw.

He also had trial games for the national 'A' squad but was eaten by Kupcewicz for a midfield postion and Piechaczek for e libero post.

Mila was favorite for the Rothmans Medal last year, but was beaten into third place by Vince Bannon (Juventus) and Jim Train (Doveton). He was four points behind Bannon, but he also

Mila, 32, does not drink or smoke, and intends to play for at least four more years. Now that he's finally been joined by his wife and children (see page one) he intends to make Australia his



Polonia team manager John Pater (right) accepts the Rothmans Medal from the Minister of Sport, Mr. Trezise, on behalf of Stefan



Stefan Mila in action for Polonia



Flashback to 1982: Mila (right), who finished third, with Rothmans Medallist Vince Bannon (centre) and runner-up

# ALL THE VOTES

- 35. S. Mila (Pol)
- 33. T. Cumming (Cro 29. G. Bozikas (Nor)
- 23. W. Rogers (Juve), ( Hobson (Croy), Paul Lew (Aj), B. Toal (Aj), B. Culin (Nor)
- 20. C. Gilder (SGC)
- 16. O. Latif (Cro)
- 15. P. Verechia (BH), P. Corke (Dove)
- 14. H. Hird (Juve), C. Fattore (Few)
- 13. G. French (Juve), N. Pate (SGC)

- 8. B. Ferrie (Alb), K. Lloyd (Juve), M. Ralney (Croy), S. Keogh (Dove), A. Schipeno

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# with PETER



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# other side

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Tommy Docherty certainly has been having his share of

problems.

problems.

Telecom in Sydney has been chasing him to pay a phone bill of more than \$700.

And the police in England are after him for about \$8000 he owes his former wife in maintenance.

The Doc claims he hasn't had a chance to earn anything since returning to England, and that his time in Australia had been like "semi-retirement".

had been like semirecutment"
I reckon \$60,000 is not a bad
salary for semi-retirement.
What do you reckon?
I wonder how many people
fell for the Doc's antics.
I certainly didn't, as I experienced the other side of
Docherty on my trip to England last year.
It was a costly lesson for
me, and I'm afraid Sydney
Olympic experienced a similar
lesson.

Docherty was nice to me during his first stint as Olym-pic's coach, and when he retur-

Peter Ollerton, voted Victorian coach of the year last week, will lead the England team in the 16-national "World Cup" tournament to be run by Knox City from November 12 to December 3.

Metiback Pointer will conc.

12 to December 3.

Medibank Private will sponsor the competition with \$1000, and also donate a trophy for the winner.

The 16 contestants are: Italy, Hungary, Holland, Poland, Malta, Greece, Yugoslandi, Ireland, Turkey, South Africa, Australia, Brazil and "Hispania" — a team of Spanish speaking players who will wear the Argentina colors.

Players must have been born the country for which they play, or at least his parents must have been born there.

Mick and Noel Mitten will

Ollerton plots

against world

**Tommy Docherty** 

ned to England to become manager of Preston North End, he invited me out for a

End, he invited me out for a trial.

Well, I paid my own fare about \$2000 — and when I lobbed at Preston, the club knew nothing at all about me. Docherty hadn't even told them I was coming.

That was a Tuesday. He was sacked on the Wednesday, and that was the end of me.

The club kicked me out of my digs, telling me to organise my own lodgings.

my digs, telling me to organise my own lodgings.

I asked the Doc for help, but he didn't want to help me.

Greeks on way up
The once-mighty Ajax
Amsterdam of Johan
Cruyff and Ruud Krol
Johan
Johan
Cruyff and Ruud Krol
Johan

I'd travelled all that way just to be dumped.

Greeks on

### "Soccer Action" award tops

Congratulations to Charlie Yankos, Con Opasinis, Peter Ollerton and Peter Lewis on win-ning the major Victorian Press (ASPA) awards.

Ali had a memorable ason and deserve recogni-

season and deserve recogni-tion.
Yankos, with 45 votes, beat second-placed Zerko Odzakov (Makedonia) by only five votes. Odzakov is, in my opin-ion, one of the best imports yet to come to this country.
I wouldn't be surprised if

ion, one of the best imports yet to come to this country. I wouldn't be surprised if Yankos and Odzakov, along with Phil O'Connor of Wollongong, top the poll in the NSL Player of the Year voting. Yankos and Odzakov are leading in the "Soccer Action"—Boral Bricks Player of the Year award, and in all but one season since the NSL started, the winner of the "Soccer Action" award went on to win the NSL award as well — Jimmy Rooney, Jim Hermiston, Ivo Prskalo for example. It's no wonder then, that the "Soccer Action" award is the most prestigious in Australia All players I know in the NSL make a point of getting the paper every week to check on the voting.

# Rocky DiZio is in charge of Italy, and Con Nikolopoulos is co-ordinating Greece. Foot-scray J.U.S.T. is putting to-gether the Yugoslavia team. **CLUB SECRETARIES**

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# Top Greeks v top Italians

Yallourn's Cup

Victorian Third Division club Yallourn, won the 13th annual Mallacoata Cup by beating NSW opponent Hornsty RSL 3-9 on penalties. Scores at the end of full time and extra time, were 1-1.

The award for the best and fairest player went to Rob Stuart of Manly Warringah. Stuart was a guest player with Brookvale for this competition.

Brookvale for this com-petition
The Goalkeeper of the Tour-man was "Spider"
McGann. Three other goalkee-pers tied for the runner-up Peter Thompson (Fernhil), Mark Francis (Inter Monaro), guesting with Mallacoola United, and Yallourn's van Raar

Mick and Noel Mitten will organise the Ireland team,

The 1983 Victorian Hel-lenic Cup competition kicks off on Sunday, November 11.

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elson (Livva), B. Keanan,
M. McDonaid, P. Piesetty,
Ramos, R. Taylor (B. M.), \* P.
oughnane, S. McGombs
zoy), P. Thurtow (Devo), J.
ondarios (Fawly), J. Fawlikos,
C. Gejevic, \* S. Parton (Cro),
E. Vanes (Mor), N. Garvey, R.
erniers (Will, G. Bennett, A.
orthis (SGC), C. Rakartonis, J.
alambokis (Hel). The winner will meet the winner of the Italian Cup in early January, with the proceeds going to charity. A best player award and a top scorer award will be runduring the Hellenic Cup. The groupings are:

during the Hellenic Cup.
The groupings are:
GROUP ONE: Hellas, Port
Melbourne, Malvern City,
Hawthorn, Apollo Utd.
GROUP TWO: Serres,
Clifton Hill, Clifton Hill YCW,
SM Mordialloc, Central City.
GROUP THREE: Heidelberg-Alexander, South Oakleigh, Western Suburbs, Murrumbeena, Ascot Vale.
GROUP FOUR: Yarraville,
Northcote, Caulfield, Clarinda, Brunswick City.
Quarter-finals will be on December 14, semi-finals on December 18.

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J. S. Dougles, M. D'Sylvs,
W. Mchrtyrs, D. Lecck (Alb.),
K. Swinscien (Juva),
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Gilh), G. McLead (Dove),
Anselma, C. Petrov (Fawk), S.
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Blasey (Cro), E. JAnssen (Wil),
M. McKlinley (SGC), D. Brown,
M. PFree, M. Turudia (Hell)



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Stefan Mila (Maribyrnong Polonia)

> SOCCER'S BEST & FAIREST PLAYER Victorian State Soccer League

# St. George or Makedonia

# Victorians never have won in Sydney!

donia has not won a single match in Sydney since it en-tered the NSL in 1981, but if it finally breaks the ice on Sunday, it may win the league the lea

What a success story that would be! In only its third NSL season, Makedonia led the league for most of the season, slumped to fourth piace after four successive defeats, and roared back to the top last Sunday, by thrashing West Adelaide Helles 3-0 while its nearest rivals dropped points.

while its nearest rivals dropped points. But St. George Budapest's title bid in the last round will be as strong, if not stronger than Makedonia's. It has the advantage of playing at home, against Brisbane City, a less talented opponent than Sydney Olympic. Going into the last round, St. George coach Frank Arok said: "The game is the equiva-

With Phil O'Connor (Wollongong) having won the Boral Bricks \$1500 Player of the Year award (see page one), interest switches to the \$1000 top scorer award. Marshall Soper (Olympic)

Marshall Soper (Olympic) caught up with leader Doug Brown (Sh-Hellas) who did not play due to suspension last weekend, Both have 14 goals going into the last round, hotly pursued by John Kosmina (Sydney Hakoah) with 13

with 13.

In case of a tie, all penalty goals will be deducted.

If it still is a tie, Cup goals will count.

min count. This week's votes:
PRESTON MAKEDONIA 3 (Ollerton 3) WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 0 at Connor Reserve. Crowd about 1000.
Votes by Laurie Schwab.
y. McMillan (Mak). 5.
Lucchesi (Mak). 4. Ollerton (Mak). 3. Petrovski (Mak). 4. Odrakov (Mak). 1. Flavell (Mak).

(Mak).
WOLLONGONG 1 (Cotton) BRISBANE LIONS 1
Wright) at Wollongong
Showgrounds. Crowd about
1000. Votes by Philip Micallef:

let:
6. Dunleavy (W), 5. O'Connor (W), 4. R. Stewart (BL),
3. Kerr (W), 2. Daunt (BL),
1. Vincent (BL).

BRISBANE CITY 2 (Hug-

hes, Hummell own goal)
CANBERRA ARROWS 3
(Christopoulos, Farina, T
Byrne) at Spencer Park.
Crowd about 1000. Votes by

Ricky Rosso:
6. T. Byrne (C), 5. Fabrizio (BC), 4. Christopoulos (C), 3. Perry (BC), 2. Gibson (C), 1. Ambrosino (C).

ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS 3 (Blair, Meta,
Carter) FOOTSCRAY
J.U.S.T. 8 at Olympic Sports
Field. Crowd about 850.
Votes by Frank Pangallo:
6. O'Donnell (JUST); 5.
Flounders (AC), 4. Blair
(AC), 3. B. Nyskobus (AC),
2. Carroll (JUST), 1. Melta
(AC).

(AC), 3. B. Nyskohus (AC), 2. Carroll (JUST), 1. Melta (AC).
HEIDELBERG-ALEX-ANDER 4 (Cole pen, Patterson, Campbell, Lea) SYDNEY OLYMPIC (Soper pen,) at Olympic Village. Crowd about 2,200. Votes by Peter Desira:
6. Macleod (H), 5. Lea, 1. Macleod (H), 5. J. Matson (SC), 4. G. Watson (SC), 4. G. Watson (SC), 4. G. Watson (N), 3. Kay (SC), 2. Burke (N), 1. Robertson (SC). APIA-LEICHHARDT 6 SOUTH MELBOURNE (N), 1. Robertson (SC). APIA-LEICHHARDT 6 SOUTH MELBOURNE (N), 5. Mariani (APIA), 4. P. Tredinnick (A), 5. Mariani (APIA), 4. P. Tredinnick (A), 4. P. Tredinnick (

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lent of a grand final. Only the exceptional fighters can survive and win. The teach has been together for two years, with only one change when scottish international Ted MacDougall played six matches with us. This is our team's greatest test yet."

But whatever Arok says about St. George holds true also of Makedonia.

Like St. George, Makedonia.

Like St. George, Makedonia in essence, has been together for quite a while. Peter Ollerton, Ljube Petrovski, Gordon Flavell, George McMillan and Claude Lucchesi— not to mention Gary Ward who's out injured—were in the team that wom the 1890 State League to the state of the state o

FIELD 2 (M. O'Shea own goal, Brown) at St. George Stadium. Crowd 2870. Votes by Peter Scott:
6. Djordjevic (M.). 5. Marton (St. G.), 4. Henderson (M.). 3. Winn (M.). 2. Ratcliffe (St. G.), 1. Licata (M.). Leaders:

(M), 3. Winn (M), 2. Ratifies (St. G), 1. Licata (M)
Leaders:
S. O'Connor (W)
W Yankoo (H)
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Noswinis (AC), A. Stewart

39. Viietstra (W),
39. Viietstra (W),
30. Tokesi (BC), Lucchesi
(Mak), Honeyman (WA),
Malrd (BC), Robertson
(SC), Lea (H), Katholos
(SC), Lea (H), Katholos
(SC), Murphy (SM),
36. Hamilton, Wishart
(BC), Senkalski (N),
35. Melta, Flounders
(AC)
Top scorers:
14. Soper (SO), Brown
(SM),
13. Kosmina (SC).

(SM).
13. Kosmina (SC).
12. Bradley (APIA), O'Connor, Cotton (W).
11. Paton (JUST), Egan
(SM).

(SM), 10 Mulleh (AC), Lucchesi (Mak), Wright (BL), Lea (H). 9. Lowe (N), R. Brown (Marc), Ward (Mak), Slater Marton (St. G). 8. Mountford (N), Ollerton (Mak), J. Campbell (H), Bryant (C).

son.

That lot easily can match the collective experience of St. George stalwarts like the three O'Shea brothers, Dez Marton, David Ratcliffe, Terry Greedy, Peter Stone and Paul Wilkinson.

Paul Wilkinson.
But they're not playing against each other, of course Rather, they'll be trying to outdo each other in separate matches.

At the moment, Makedonia and St. George are equal on points at the top, and also equal on goal difference. Makedonia however, has equal on goal difference. Makedonia however, has scored more goals than St. George, so if both of them win by say, 2-0, this week, Makedonia would win the

donia would win the championship.

On the other hand, if St George wins by two goals and Makedonia by only one, then Saints would take the title on goal difference.

Venues for the vital matches in the last round had not been determined as we went to Press.

determined as we went to Press.
Sydney Olympic and St George were both scheduled to play at home on St George Stadium — which would be impossible unless hey play as a But that would leave either St. George or Makedonia with the advantage of knowing exactly how much they would have to win by in order to take the championship.

The NSI. management com-

the championship.

The NSL management committee decided that all matches affecting the championship should kick off at 3mp.

mittee decided that all matches affecting the championship should kick off at 3pm.

That means either St. George or Olympic would play on St. George or Olympic would play on St. George or Olympic would play on St. George stadium, with the other team moving to either Lambert Park or Marconi Stadium

In the case of one of those games being played at the latter ground, the Marconi west decided with the state games being played at the latter ground, the Marconi west decided with the state games being played at the latter ground, the Marconi west decided kick off early, as it has no bearing on the championship.

But let's not rule out the possibility of both St George and Makedonia dropping points at the weekend. If both are held to draws, the title could go to Sydney Hakoah, SM-Hellas or even Newcastle.

That's right, Newcastle. Although they're in fifth position, they could win the title on goal difference by beating Heidelberg-Alexander while the top four lose their matches. Unlikely, but possible.

Statistically, St. George is home and hosed against Brisbane City, as the Queenslanders haven't won for eight weeks. Their last victory was 3 against Sydney Olympic, the team Makedonia has to beat.

beat
And Olympic's last victory
was against Makedonia itself
at Connor Reserve five
weeks ago, when Marshall
Soper scored the winning goal.
Weekend NSL games with
likely winners in capitals:

SUNDAY HEIDELBERG-ALEXAN-DER v Newcastle KB United



Preston Makedonia. Back row: David Jones, Gary Ward, George McMillan, George Todorovski, Peter Olierton, Richard Wilson. Front row: Zarko Odzakov, Alec Livingston, Ljube Petrovski, George Campbell, Zoran Ilioski, Claude Lucchesi. Missing: Gordon Flavell, Con Opasinis.



St. George. Back row: John O'Shea, David Ratcliffe, Paul Wilkinson, Terry Greedy, Rob O'Shea, Dez Marto Front row: Peter Stone, David Skeen, Mark Barton, Mike O'Shea, Robbie Slater, Missing: Peter Petkovski.

enspane City, venue to be de-termined.
Record: St. Gerage 6 wins, 3 draws, 2 losses, 17:14 goals. Sydney Olympic v PRE-STON MAKEDONIA, venue to be determined.

STÓN MAKEDONIA, venue to be determined.
Récord: Makedonia 2 wins, 1 draw, 2 losses, 10:7 goals.
MARCONI-PAIRFIELD v
West Adelaide Hellas at Marconi Stadium.
Record: Marconi 9 wins, 1 draw, 3 losses, 15:10 goals.
Brisbane Lions v SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS at RIchlands, 3 pm.
Record: Hellas 7 wins, 2 draws, 4 losses, 17:14 goals.
Camberra Arrows v SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH at Bruce Stadium, 3 pm.

# at Olympic Village, 3pm. Record: H'berg 4 wins, 4 draws, 3 losses, 20.17 goals. Footscray J.U.S.T. v APIA LEICHHARDT at Schintler

### NSL team of the week

PETROVSKI (1) (Makedonia)

FLAVELL (1)

SPROUL (1) MACLEOD (2) ODZAKOV (8)

H. TREDINNICK (2) O'DONNELL (1)

McMILLAN (4) LEA (3) (Makedonia) (Heidelberg) LUCCHESI (5) (Makedenia)

# National League standings

Last week's standings in brackets HOME AWAY WD L F A 4 5 5 15 18 DLF Pts 52 2 2 32 13 6 1 21 11 4 5 7 4 47:31 1. (4) Preston Makedonia .... 11 (2) St.George Budapest . . . . . . . . 7 4 22 16 43:27 52 
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11. (102 Adelaide City Juventus 7 3 6 21 17
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12. (11) Footscray J.U.S.T. 6 4 4 16 19
12. (13) Brisbane City 4 5 6 21 25
14. (14) West Adelaide Hellas 5 6 4 16 17
15. (15) Wollengong 1 1 11 3 19 20 36 35 37:38 8 18 22 24:41 22:36



# Could this be the end for Adelaide City Juventus?

### Adel. City 3 J.U.S.T. 0

corers: Blair , Carter 63rd.

49th, Carter 63rd,
Referee: Jim Rossis (8)
ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS: McNally 7; Shillaboer 7;
Flounders 8; Nyskohous 8;
Dodds 7; Meita 7; Blair 8;
Carter 7; Mullon 7; Villani 7;

Rankin 7.
FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T:
Boland 6; McDowall 7; Kyriakouleas 6; Tutill 6; Belic 6;
Curovic 7; Carroll 8; Paton 7;
O'Donnell 9; Taylor 6; Hazabent 7 (Tutill 43).

abent 7 (Tutill 43).
Sending offs: Kyriakouleas
(40), Belic (44) for J.U.S.T
Mullen 44' for City.
Cautions: McDowell, Haz-abent, Paton, O'Donnell,
Curovic (all J.U.S.T)

Adelaide City Juventus fin-

ished a disappointing season on a sensational note against a brutal Footscray J.U.S.T.

a brutal Footscray J.U.S.T.
Rarely has Adelaide witnessed three send offs and a
string of cautions that led to
an unruly disturbance just
before half time.
Juventus — as always
opened stylishly and within
20 minutes had J.U.S.T. reeling with goals from midfielders Stewart Blair and
Serge Melta.

Then the kicking, behind-play elbows and fists came into it, reducing the match to a shambles and a travesty of soccer.

Referee Jim Rossis did what he could to retain control and his issuing of red and yellow cards was the best measure to take to ensure some kind of sanity prevailed. prevailed.

Kyriakouleas was the first to go after a late and careless tackle.

While Rossis was quick to see that infringement, he missed the smack across the face youngster Joe Mullen received from a J.U.S.T. defender. Nullen was needled out of the game by some obnox-ious tactics that eventually led to the all-in brawl when Mullen and Curovic were left sprawled in the Foot-scray box.

scray box.

Fists flew — as did heads — as Villani clashed with J.U.S.T. keeper Dennis Boland after seeing strike out at the seeing to the see Dennis Boland after seeing Boland strike out at Mullen who was trying to get to his feet. Mullen and

## FRANK PANGALLO

marching orders, the for-mer's being somewhat questionable. But the threat of a bloodbath sub-sided in a second half that lacked the action of the first . . . both physically and in method.

and in method.

City should have wiped the floor with J.U.S.T. and had the chances in front of goal to do so but wasted them.

But, to J.U.S.T's credit, it did try to make a game of it despite the glaring disadvantage.

disadvantage.

Even after Carter had sealed Footscray's fate, following a nice touch by Villani, Footscray pressed forward time and time again. In fact, JUS.T. had the better of City in the second half although the Melbourne side never looked like threatening McNally in the City goal.

City again comprounded

City again compounded into a disjointed team after promising so much

again it was Murray that wal-tzed around Maier, made ground before cutting the ball back to Kosmina whose at-tempt to score was blocked. Kay picked up the loose ball and his shot from five metres was deflected by a defender for a fruitless corner.

From that sdmoment on, Newcastle gradually got into the game more and more.

Two minutes later KB put the first promising move to-gether when David Lowe tested Tony Pezzano with a first time volley after being served by Senkalski.

Shortly afterwards, Grant Lee switched the point of attack to the left but Howard Tredinnicks' shot was well wide.

wide.

Newcastle finally broke the deadlock when it — scored what roved to be the winning with a second with the second with t

Wollongong 1 **Bris Lions 1** Venue: Wollongong Sho

ground.
Scorers: Wright (BL) 26th;
Cotton (W) 42nd.
Crowd: Approx 1000.
Referoe: Power 9.

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liable Nyskohous had the measure of Footscray's

Flounders and the ever-reliable Nyskohous had the
measure of Footscray's
feeble attack.
City's season has ended
under a cloud. It still isn't
clear that the club will
front up in next year's regionalised league — even
though it has made that
commitment. Club management is due to report to
its members on a radical
plan to sell the club to
"shareholders," a move
intend to stave off City's
patient creditors.

But the club is in such a
financial mire that even
the most ardent members
believe all may be in vain.
On top of that, City's
coach Bob Ferguson, has
vowed to quit unless the
club buys him two or three
players next season.

Rather a callous ultimatum when one considers
the plight of the club.

tum when one considers the plight of the club.

So with City's financial resources drawn well past breaking point, it seems Ferguson may be looking for a new job.

the dose just on the stroke of half time when the old combination of Tredinnick overlapping, and Jones, produced a cross who was cleared to Senkalski lurking outside the penalty area but this time Pezzano saved the nasty situation.

The second half saw Sydney City throw everything at New-castle in search of the equal-

castle in search of the equal-izer and at times the game got a bit willing, forcing referee Tony Boskovic to produce yellow cords to Watson, Mullen and Kay making it a total of four for the match, after having booked Craig Mason in the first half.

However, when they were needed, most Sydney City stri-kers were conspicuous by their

absence.

As the game progressed, the trension started to take its toll on the Sydney City players, and for 45 minutes of sustained pressure, they rarely troubled Clint Gosling, who handled his work quite confidently and looked in trouble only once in the second half with 13 minutes to go when Murray shot the ball straight into his arms from close range. With that chance, the championship possibly slipped out of Sydney City Hakoah's hands.

Ferguson is indeed right in what he says. The club does need an injection of players . . . but hardly those he has mentioned to the pres.

those he has mentioned to the press. City's crisis is partly a result of a club losing its ethnic identity, from man-agement through to play-ing strength. West Adel-aide Hellas seems to have already acknowledged that problem following its latest playing and coach-ing moves.

ing moves.

City had an aggregate crowd attendance of almost 100,000 in 1977. This year the club will be lucky if that figure is anywhere

it that rigure is anywhere near a quarter of that.

When seventy-odd thousand turn their backs on a club, surely a complete reappraisal from top to bottom is needed.

Attendance: 2,200 (astimate)
Referoe: Jim Fearn 9
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HEIDELBERG: Olver 9;
MacKie 8, Yankos 8, MacDod
9 (Tansey 82m) Spanos 7;
Selamidis 7, Campball 7, Valontina 7; Lera 9, Cole 7, Patlortina 7; Lera 9, Cole 7, PatReferoe 8, Cole 7, PatReferoe 9, Cole 7, PatRe

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Heidelberg defenders Don MacLeod and Ian MacKie will miss this week's final league game after getting booked late in this entertaining en-

\$100,000 IN

**TWO DEALS** 

Wollongong City and Newcastle United have re-paled sponsorship deals worth more than \$100,000.

vealed sponsorship deals worth more than \$100,000. Laurie Kelly, president of Wellongong, announced at an in-augural citizens lunch that a two-year sponsorship valued at \$70,000 had been signed with Kern Constructions, who are at present building a big shopping centre in Wellongong. Newcastle secretary Pat Clarke revealed that favorable discussions had been hald with Cariton and United Breweries and sponsorship negotiation should be completed within the next 10 days.

and sponsorship negotiation should be completed within the next 10 days.

"We have been assured the immediate crisis has been resolved and the company has given us certain undertakings. Our future looks much more promising after the talks and we are hopeful of getting a \$30,000 sponsorship for next season," said Clarks.

Wollongong raised more than \$5,000 at the luncheon and had on display a model of the stadium it hopes to build with government support.

"We are negotiating with the Federal government for the land which is in Fairy Meadow and have mede a submission to the state government for financial support," said Wollongong secretary John Viletstra.

"With support from the government and local people we hope to build a stedium similar to St George in Sydney, with two outside grounds and parking for 490 cars.

"It's ambitious but if we don't try we will never get our own ground."

two outside grounds and parking for 400 cars.
"It's ambitious but if we don't try we will never get our own ground."
The future of Newcastle had depended on the meeting with CUB which had to decide whether to continue the sponsorship it inherited with its recent takeover of Tooth and Company.

soranip it inherited with its record takeover of Tooth and Company.
Clarke said the club had been facing possible clesure if the negotiations had not been successful and withdrawal would have ended a six year association.
We were given a good hearing by CUB and our next step is "We were given a good hearing by CUB and our next step is the facility of the step is the state of the step is the step is the state of the step is the state of the step is the state of the stat

But Wollongong hit back with an equaliser three minutes from half time when Cotton put the ball away after beating two men.

In the second half, the Lions took the initiative but, with kipper Dunleavy in dominant it m, the Wolves managed to hold out for their 15th draw of

This match might have been the last for O'Connor in the Wolves' colors.

Several clubs have shown varied degrees of interest in the striker and he has said he will leave the club if he gets the right offer.

I was laughed at when at one City members meeting, I suggested that the club had all but lost its Italian connection.

With its membership down and the crowds, con-tinually dismal, may I have the courtesy of having the final laugh?

Olympic 1 Scorers: 1-0 Cole 37m pen, 2-0 Patterson 41m, 3-0 Camp-bell 45m, 4-0 Lea 53m, 4-1 Soper 67m pen. Ground: Olympic Villaga Attendance: 2,200 (astima-

Throwing cautions

to the wind!

Heidelberg 4

ate in this entertaining en-counter.

But their cautions were pre-meditated affairs and far from being rebuked for their mis-demeanors, they went out on the slippery park with instruc-tions to get yellow carded by coach Jim Tansey, Tansey explained, "Both Don and lan were nearing the 12 maximum penalty points and I told them both to get

12 maximum penalty points and I told them both to get booked so they can miss the

Peter Desira

ming match against New

coming match against New-castle.
"Our cup semi-final against South Melbourne Hellas soon is the more important fixture — we have tittle to play for in the league — and I wanted them to go into the cup-tie with a clean record rather than have to worry about avoiding cautions.
"Both played well and man-

about avoiding cautions.
"Both played well and managed to get booked as well but
Don took his task literally and
I decided to whisk him off as
soon as he got booked rather
than run the risk of a sendingoff which would have ruled
him out for two matches."

him out for two matches."

The little side-show apart,
Heidelberg built on its unbeaten record under Tansey and by
the end of the day climbed to
sixth spot on 40 points after
languishing in the lower half of
the table since the 13th round
of the season.

The team revelled in the wet conditions, slamming three goals in the closing eight minutes of the first half and building a 4-0 lead after the break before Olympic got its solitary goal from the pena spot towards the end of match.

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Gary Cole, who became the proud father of a baby girl on Friday, scelebrated by opening the score in the 37th minute from a penalty awar-the down was brought down by Mike Coady as he ran into the area on a through pass from

Mike Coady as he ran into the area on a through pass from Jim Campbell.

Scott Patterson netted his first ever goal in the NSL four minutes later, out jumping everyone in a crowded penalty area to head home Mike Valentine's corner kick.

Campbell added the third right on halftime, controlling a square pass from Theo Selemidis to hammer a shot from outside the box which went in off keeper Gary Meier's foot.

off keeper Gary Meier's foot.

Derek Lea, Heidelberg's
businest player, got his name
on the scoresheet after the
break swooping on the ball
after Coady slipped, to round
the keeper and shoot home
despite a despairing lunge on
the line by Tony Dakos in
which he got a hand to the ball.

which he got a hand to the bail.

Olympic, despite its array of
stars, is playing as bed now—
if not worse—than it was
when coached by Tommy
Docherty, and Manfred Schaefer may find it hard to retain
his coaching position next
season if the rumblings from
the Olympic committee are
any indication.

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The team lost Martyn Rogers with an ankle injury on the hour mark and the full-back was carried from the ground on a stretcher making it unlikely that he'll recover for the final game against Pre-ston.

Rogers' replacement, Arthur Svinos, soon was in-volved in a series of three shots which forced keeper Jeff Olver into the two best saves of the match.

Olver parried Jim Patikas' initial shot, Terry Patalis had the rebound blocked by a de-fender on the line and the keeper recovered in time to make the third save from Svi-

Olympic finally pulled a goal back in the 67th minute when MacLeod brought down Peter Katholos in the area and Marshall Soper slammed the resultant penalty kick high into the net.

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for season 1984

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# Has Senkalski ended Hakoah's title hopes?

# Syd. Hakoah 0

Scorer: Senkalski 36th.

Crowd: 2750. Referee: Tony Boskovic 7. Cautions: 36th Mason (N), 67th J. Watson, 70th Mullen, 71st Kay (SH).

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NEWCASTLE KB UNITED: Gosling 7, Maior 7, Burke 8, G. Watson 8, Tradinnick 8, Lee 6, Senkalski 7, Mason 7, Jones 6, Lowe 7, Mountford 7. Cow-burn replaced Senkalski in 71st.

SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH: Pazzano 7, Mullen 7, Cent 7, O'Connor 7, Robertson 8, J. Watson 8, Gomez 7, Kay 8, Murray 7, Kosmina 6, Boden 6. Borges replaced Mullen in 72nd.

Chelsea goalscoring sen-sation Kerry Dixon is the man Salisbury United (SA) is seeking to guest for it in the Rothmans League first divi-

Simon Garner of Blackburn Rovers.
Dixon was signed by Cholsea during the English summer from fourth division club Reading.
"Dixon is a mate of Tuffs.
They played togother with Dunstable before Dixon transferred to Reading,"
Jarvis zaid.



Sydney Hakoah started the game showing the local side that it was meaning business, and for the first 20 minutes led the KB United defence a

Aided by the hard work of Paul Kay and Joe Watson in midfield and the pace and ex-perience of Willie Murray on the left, Sydney City forced the local side to concede a string of corners that were scramb-led away by the defence.

However, for all this superi-ority we had to wait 23 minutes to see a clear cut chance. Once

# Kerry Dixon to join Salisbury?

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Mark Lillis (Hudersfield), Parlane (Manchester City). DIVISION THREE - Tony Caldwall (Bolton). Keith Edwards (Sheffield

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DIVISION FOUR

Trevor Senior (Reading).

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John Byrne, Keith (York City).

BRISBANE LIONS: Beeve

7 - Vasquez 7, Niven 7, Hunter 7, McLurd 7 - R. Stewart 8, Hogg 7, (Ander-son), Vincent 8 - Wright 7, Days 8, 1, Stewart 7, son), Vincent I Daunt 8, J. Ste ong City appears

WOLLONGONG: Preston 7
- Muhlbauer 7, Dunheavy 8, lietstra 6, Kerr 8 — Willis 7, insworth 7, Dunmett 7 lickson), McBreen 7 — otton 7, O'Connor 8. to have succeeded in avoi

wooden spoon after holding companion-in-distress Bris-bane Lions, to a 1-1 draw.

The Wolves, who have finished their 1983 league commitments, have two more points than Lions. But the Queenslanders have a game in

Philip Micallef

hand and must beat title-chaser South Melbourne Hellas on Sunday at Richlands to overtake the Wolves. In a physical match played in muddy conditions, Wollon-gong started briskly but after the interval the visitors piled on the pressure, making the 1-1 draw a fair result which should please both sides. Socceroo striker Phil O'Con-

please both sides.
Socceroo striker Phil O'Connor had another good game for Wollongong so did sweeper Chris Dunleavy.
O'Connor was unlucky not to open the scoring with a free kick from 20 metres which hit the upright. In the 26th minute, the Lions took the lead with a goal from Danny Wright after a tragic mistake by young Socceroo Ray Vlietstra.

# Polonia to visit Hobart

Victorian State League side, Polonie, will visit Tasmania later this month to play a Hobart Select XI. The match will be played at 4 pm on Saturday October 29 at Taroona-St Mirren's ground.

The Hobart side will be managed by John Michalewski, the former White Eagles and Polish first division goalkeeper. It will include players of the calibre of Steve and Phil Kannegiesser (Rapid-Wrest Point). John Broadhouse (Juventus Pioneer), Perry Forster (Olympia) and Andrew and Mark Leszczynski (White Eagles).

house (Juvenum (Olympia) and Andrew and Mark (White Eagles). Andrew Leszczynski is one of Tasmania's most promising youngsters and was selected

year's Victorian State League competition, last visited Hobart two seasons ago. The team is expected to be at full strength for the coming visit and Hobart fans can therefore again expect to see top player Stefan Mila in

**Lions destined for last place** 

sentative team last month, together with Glenorchy-Croatia's Ibro Cahut, who also is expected to line up in the Hobart team. Leszczynski has had offers from Brisbane Lions and one other NSL club and may move interstate before the beginning of the 1984 sea-son.

son.

Polonia, which finished in sixth place in this

Polonia, Wictorian State League competition,

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Scottish Second Division, but I would love to coach in Australia. I am a S.F.A. Qualified Coach.

# Notimens League first divi-sion next season. Salisbury United man-ager-coach Steve Jarvis said that club captain Bobby Tuffs was expected to clinch a deal for Dixon to play four guest games when Tuffs re-turned to England next SUMSION ONE 9 - Simon Stainred (Queens Park Rangers), 7 - Steve Archibald (Tottan-ham), Paul Marinar (Ippavich), John Wask (Ipswich), Peter Withe (Aston Villa), DIVISION TWO 14 - Kerry Dixon (Chelsas), 8 - Simon Gerner (Black-burn). turned to England next month. Dixon scored two goels for Chelsee when it toppled Fulham 5-3 last week to bring his tally to 14 goals in eight games. The young central striker heads the English second division scores' list from Simon Gerner of Blackburn Rovers.

## **Brilliant lead-up** to the finale!

Peter Scott

lmost managing to "create" nother Marconi goal with a adly flubbed header, which

ne somehow managed to

### St. George 2 Marconi 2

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ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST:
Greedy 6, Skeen 7, M. O'Shea
4 (Petkovski 71st min), Ratcliffe 7, R. O'Shea 7, Stone 7,
T. O'Shea 7, Barton 7, Slater
7, Wilkinson 7, Marton 8.

MARCONI: James 7, Djordjevic 8, Calderan 7, Hen-derson 8, Bozanic 7, Sermanni 7, McCulloch 7, Carbone 6, Brown 7 (Jankovics 70th min),

Robert Ludium, Alfred Hitchcock or Agethe Christie couldn't have dreamt up a better thriller than the heart stopping finish to the 1983
NSL, and quite possibly its
most spine-tingling episode
was this throbbingly exciting
and captivating clash last Sunday

Far from behaving as dis-interested onlookers at the championship race, the Italian club moved heaven and earth to deny the points to Arok's men.

From the kick off it was con-stant action, with the goals of both teams under continuous pressure.

With all the top-notch action

going on, it was something of an anti-climax to see the scor-ing opened with a monumental muck-up on the part of the par-

Shea.
It came from a misjudged backheader in the 15th minutes, which caught goalie Greedy napping, off his line.
The unfortunate further side-effect of the own goal was 0'Shea's seeming inability to get a trip on himself for the rest of the match, even after the equaliser just nine minutes later.

later.

Ginger-headed winger Slater raced down the right wing, to float across a nicely judged ball, which curled away from goalie Bruce James' grasp.

"Thank you very much," was the natural reaction of lanky Paul Wilkinson, who neatly headed the ball into the net.

But, as I said, Mike O'Shea was still at sixes and sevens,

With the action, swinging back and forth with great regularity, there was never a dull moment, but it was noticeable that Budapest combined better in attack. The wily Dez Marton espe-cially was in his element, con-

tinuously creating scoring op-portunities for his team mates with pinpoint passes. And still, as if to prove the glorious uncertainty of soccer, Marconi managed to gain the lead right on the half-time whistle. -5

lean right on whistle.

Rod Brown and Terry Greedy were in a race for a defence-splitting ball, which was won by the Marconi striker, but only just.

He managed to send the ball goalwards with the Budapest goalie stranded but its pace was only a trickle, which just managed to cross the line into the net ahead of the desper-ately chasing defenders!

The first big chance after the teams turned around was in front of Marconi's net, but Stone failed to capitalise on good work by Skeen and Wil-kinson.

Marconi pressed dan-gerously, especially on a more provided and the second of the control of the second of the defence regularly outpacts of defence regularly outpacts of Saints' rearguard.

Matters were further enli-wened by three colossal refer-eeing mistakes in offside deci-sions, each of which could have decided the match!

Just as Hungarian fans began to despair of their chances to stay in the title race, Mark Barton slammed a great shot past James for the

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great shot past James for the equaliser.

There were an extra four minutes of play, due to the earlier unexpected appearance of a sportly brown dog, affording Dez Marton a chance to score a goal which probably would have meant the NSL championship, but his grand spring ended in failure.

It is almost impossible to single out individuals in this grand spectacle, even though there were many notable shortcomings in the technical aspects of the game.

But Djordjevic was marvellous, as were Marton and Henderson.

lous, as were Marton and Hen-derson.

Steve Winn also proved to be a constant thorn in the side of the Budapest defence.

Rene Licata showed ex-cellent skills, which made the first half living hell for David Skeen, but faded somewhat in the second half.

A perfect summing up of the current state of NSL soccer's affairs was provided by Frank Arok's postscript to the

"I only want us to be on top of the ladder once during the season — after the last match!"

# Slips, slides for Wests, skill for Makedonia

### Makedonia 3 West Adel. 0

Scorer: Ollerton 43rd., 65th. 84th. Venue: Connor Reserve. Crowd: about 1000. Conditions: cold and wet; itch waterlogged. Referee: Chris Bambridge

10.
Cautions: Todorovski, Opa-sinis (Mak), Konstandopoulos, Brown (WA). PRESTON MAKEDONIA:

PRESTON MAREDONIA: Wilson 7 — Opasinis 8, Jones 7, Todorovski 7, Petrovski 9 — Ilioski 8, Flavell 9, Odzakov 9 — McMillan 9, Lucchesi 9, Ollerton 9. Coach: Petar Oller-

n. WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS: Sproul 9 - Dunn 7, Hiern 7, Honeyman 6, McGregor 7 - Papazoglou 5, Atsalas 5, Manou 5 - Heys 6, Brown 4, Konstandopoulos 4 (Stamatopoulos). Coach: Peter Kouli-

xos.

Although the ball was stopped continually by sheets of water on the sodden Connor Reserve pitch, Makedonia's players still managed to show a high level of ball skill which West Adelaide Hellas was unable to match. In fact you fell embarrassed for the South Australians as Makedonia knocked the ball around in intricate patterns, making Hellas

ntricate patterns, making Hellas hase shadows — or rather,

waves
I lost count of the number of
one-twos played by Makedonia
— and most of them came off,

and most of them came off, despite the conditions!

Coach Peter Ollerton — who scored all three goals — always has maintained that Makedonia is at its best in the wet. His biggest wish now, is that it rains in Sydney for the final match against Sydney Olympic on Sunday.

George McMillan, the dominant figure of the match, said: "I loved the conditions. I didn't even raise a sweat, even though I reckon I put in a fair effort.

though reckon I put in a fair effort.

That's an understatement in the fill the form of the fill the f

Claude Lucchesi offered Claude Lucchesi offered himself for every ball, controlled it with silken touches and laid on two of the goals for Ollerton with fine passes.

Ollerton played much of the match on the left wing — a de-

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liberate ploy to draw Robbie Dunn out of the middle — but,

liberate ploy to draw Robbie Dunn out of the middle — but, moved inside at strategic times for those three goals of his. In addition he, like so many of his team mates, he played some delightful stuff that defied the elements. The strategic strategic his consistent of the strategic his constant of the strategic his successful played some delightful stuff that defied the elements. The strategic his successful his successful his successful his successful his successful his department of the strategic his successful his his successful his his direct opponent, George Konstandopulos.

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con Opasinis did his usual sound defensive job on Hellas's only danger man, Graham Heys who battled hard but got little done. Makedonia's centre backs, David Jones (who almost didn't play because of illness) and George Todorovski were solid without having much to do. while goalkeeper Richard Wilson stood around shivering most of the time, apart from a few Hellas flurries, like the one in which Tim Brown hit he crossbar late in the game. Hellas surprised us all by lining up with Graham Honeyman in the sweeper's position! What a waste, in a team so painfully short of experienced, creative players.

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In midfield, Hellas offered very, very little. Papacoglou, who was supposed to be marking Odzakov, didn't have a hope, but to his credit he did get involved in a few promising forward moves later. Chris Manou and Steve Atsalas ran around looking lost most of the time, and up front, Tim Brown and Konstandopoulos couldn't take a trickm

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and Konstandopoulos couldn't
take a trickm
Makedonia had enough
chances to score 10 goals, but
Sproul proved a formidable

barrier. In the first 15 min-ntes, he stopped a shot by CAMILIAN instanted to the follow the stop of the stop of the total McMILIAN again with an even better save, and dived to stop a header from Ollerton. Opasinis and Lucchesi came close with shots laid on for them by Ollerton and McMil-lan respectively, and then came a great move by Make-donia which again was stopped by Sproul.

McMillan played a long clearance from defence to Lucchesi at the half-line. Lucchesi at the half-line. Lucchesi at the half-line. Lucchesi aced past McGregor, with Honeyman the only Hellas defender left in front of him. McMillan meanwhile, made a run parallel, through the middle accepted a pass from Lucchesi, took his shot, and watched in despair as Sproul caught it spectacularly. Then, two minutes before half time, came the tiebreaker. Lucchesi slipped the ball to Ollerton on his right, and Ollerton scored with a low shot hat skimmed through the water, past the groping fingers of Sproul.

Just atter half time, Papagiou came close for Hellas,

of Sproul.

Just after half time, Papazoglou came close for Hellas,
with a shot that bounced badly
in front of Wilson, making it in
difficult for the Makedonia
goalkeeper who, however,
managed to save it.

Illoski had that unbelievable
miss in the 6ist. minute and, a
few moments later, sent a low
shot skimming just wide.
Ollerton headed No. 2 from
Odzakov's cross from the left
in the 68th. minute, and a misstake by Honeyman should have
resulted in another.
Honeyman turned and sent a
back-pass towards Sproul, but
the ball stuck in the water,
McMillan latched onto it and
ran unchallenged, towards

the ball stuck in the water, McMillan latched onto it and ran unchallenged, towards goal, at an angle. He could have scored here, but decided instead to send a square pass to Lucchesi. Sproul however, got his fingers to it and pushed it away.

A good piece of refereeing by Chris Bambridge, who put on an excellent performance in the conditions, enabled Makedonia to score its third goal six minutes from the end.

McMillan, contesting a high ball, was brought down from behind but instead of awarding the free kick, Bambridge paid the advantage, as Makedonia to score again as he came sliding it at the far post.

# They'll pick eight clubs

Seven men will decide thich eight clubs are to be dded to the NSL to make up he new 24-team format next

the new 24-team format next year.
Four clubs from Sydney are to be admitted to a 12-team northern region, and four clubs from Melbourne are to be added to make up a 12-team southern division.
Seven men make up an ASF screening committee. They are: NSL chairman Sam Paeve Kamsz, ASF commercial director Peter Sheehen, NSL vice-chairman Tony Lebborston, the Persident of the SWF Federation, Karel Roday (or his successor) and the President of the Victorian federation, John Dimtsis.
This recommendation has to be ratified hy the ASE sevent.



### Ricky Rosso Canberra 3 Bris. City 2

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Scores: Christopoulos,
Farine, Byrne (C), Hughes,
Hummel o.g. (BC).
Venue: Spencer Park.
Crowd: about 1000.
Conditions: Hot.
Referen: Bill Monteverde 8.
CITY: Wishart 7, Kowtan 5,
Perry 8, Liddell 7, Wilkinson 7,
Caird 6, Fabrizio 8, Hughes 7
(Falco H.T. 6), Bromfield 6,
CANBERRA: Hummel 6,
Murray 6, Ambrosino 7, Byrne
8, Young 6 (Shialds 71st),
Redmond 7, Christopoulos 8,
Gibson 8, Farin 7, Perenevic
6, McLarar 7.
An unexpected goal, a bril-



Canberra toasts its victory against Brisbane City in Brisbane last weekend. From left. Terry Byrne, George Christopoulos, Attila Abonyi (coach) Frank Farine. Picture by CARLOS PICASSO.

liant goal and a missed goal highlighted Canberra's 3-2 win over Brisbane City at Spencer Park.

Spencer Park.

The unexpected goal was in the 17th minute when Canberra keeper Chris Hummel turned towards his goal and dropped a Luciano Fabrizio corner-kick behind the goal-line.

The brilliant goal was a scorching 25 metre volley from George Christopoulos in the second half after a pinpoint Phil Redmond switch ball.

went from the villain to the hero of Canberra's win.

City got the penalty with three minutes to go after Referee Bill Monteverde over-ruled an offside flag, claiming in the quickness of play, that Falco had been played on at the vital time, and pointed to the spot as the City youngster was thrown to the ground in a wild tackle by Terry Byrne.

Billy Wilkinson, one of the few experienced players now

Billy Wilkinson, one of the few experienced players now in the City side, was elected to take the kick, and although he struck it well, he put it higher than what he had hoped and Hummel, who also certainly

to his right and parry the ball away.

Tity, particularly after it had lead by two goals after 20 minutes and the youngsters were playing with the flair Coach Jim Hermiston has predicted for several weeks now that they would eventually produce.

After racing to a quick lead thanks to the gift Hummel goal and a well worked long throwin finished off by Alan Hughes a minute earlier, City faltered just before half-time.

Although Christopoulos' goal was unstoppable, the fact that he was allowed to run so far without a close marker before his volley is something which needs correcting.

Although the goal was a set-back, the real blow came only seconds before halftime when City lost Hughes with an ankle injury.

Hughes had been having a

City lost Hughes with an ankle injury.
Hughes had been having a big game in midfield, providing the flair to compliment the enthusiasm and work-rate of Caird and Fabrizio.
With the task not looking as hopeless as it did earlier. Canberra started the second half with considerably more purpose and a fine kim Wishart save denied Canberra an equaliser after only 10 minutes.

But the writing was on the wall and it was no surprise when the visitors eventually did level the scores, and on this occasion Wishart was perhaps to blame.

perhaps to blame.

As Byrne floated in a free-kick to the near post, Wishart yelled: "Away!". His defence moved out, as ordered, which allowed Frank Farina to ghost in to the near post to head the ball and deviate it just enough to beat the City keeper.

City rallied to the Canberra

to beat the City keeper.
City rallied to the Canberra
challenge and should have
wrapped up the match in a
spell midway through the half.
But Canberra finished the
stronger of the two sides and
netted the winner with eight
minutes to go. And Byrne deserved the winner on his fine
showing once again in Brisbane.

hane.

Had City netted the penalty, a draw would have been a fair result, but there are no excuses for a side which does not take its chances.

# EGAN

A.P.I.A. 0 S.M. Hellas 0

S.M. Hellas U
Crowd: 2,500
Referee: Richie Lorenc 8
Yellow cards: Bertogna,
Blair, Butlen, Carter, Egan
Wooddin, Bottalico.
A.P.I.A.: Parks 8, Carter 6,
Brown 7, Bottalico 6, Mariani
8, Bertogna 6, Bradley 6,
Butler 7, Morsello 6, P. Tredinnick 7, Sharme 6.
SOUTH MELB. HELLAS:
Laumets 7, Russell 6, Xanthapoulos 7, Blair 7, Davidson 7,
Halford 6, Murphy 7, Crino 8,
Wooddin 7, Yzendoorn 7, Egan 5.

Hellas striker Charlie Egan, will remember this match against APIA for a long time for it was Egan who had simple opportunities to score goals, give Hellas the three points and inevitably the championship for 1983.

But alas it was not his day.

But, alas, it was not his day.
During the first stanza Egan
showed little but livened up in
the second half to elude APIA
defenders on numerous occasions.

defenders on numerous occasions.
With nine minutes gone the second half it was Oscar Crino who pushed a brilliant through ball for Egan and Parks looked Beaten. Egan and Parks looked Beaten. Egan counded the keeper, then inexplicably shot over the bar. Midway through this period it was Egan yet again, all alone and with one player on the line — Mark Brown — but Egan's shot hit Brown and bounced out.



With 17 minutes to go Wood-din pushed another through ball for Egan and the way looked open but he went too wide then squared the ball into the area, only to see Bertogna clear.

the area, only to see Bertogna clear.

And while Egan missed, it would be fair to say that other visiting forwards were in the same mood. Wooddin missed in the 57th, left-footing past the upright, then Steve Blair missed after a scrimmage inside the box.

With only 10 minutes to go. Crino looked set to score following a free kick by Yzendoorn, but his low shot from some seven metres was brilliantly saved by Parks, then cleared by Mariani with Egan just inches short of pushing it into the net.

Well, it was all Hellas in the second half, but as so often happens in football, nerves play the biggest part and those Hellas shooters just lost their cool when needing it most.

APIA offered a Lambert Park covered in flowers with grass some six inches tall in places, a bumpy surface and dressing rooms not fit for the

sixth amateur divisions. However, one must give this bunch of APIA fighters credit for their gutsy performance and fighting spirit which kept them in the match.

Sharne and Bertogna missed frod. Hen Yzendoorn cleared off the line soon after the restrat from a shot by Sharne, but that apart the home side defended with vigor.

I was surprised to see Branko Buljevic run up and down the line for the last 20 minutes fo the match yet mot get on the park. He was the man who had the coolness and composure to convert the chances which came the visitors way. I am sure that Len McKendry knew that but it is beyond me why a sure that swasted in the state of the sure was dead in the state of the sure was dead in the sure that the last 15 weeks is not wasted. An incredible effort indeed, which deserved more than a miserable foraw.

Richie Lorenc showed seven yellow cards, an obvious intent to stop hard tackles, but I had the impression that some were acted too harshly while others

io stop hard tackles, but I had the impression that some vereteated too harshly while others escaped.

Still, it was entertaining despite the pitch and despite the toughness displayed, with Crino the mastermind of the Hellas attack and Bertie Mariani the man who stopped most of them: Wooddin, Peter Tredinnick, Ken Murphy and Terry Butler also had good games.

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# Just over 10 years after being expelled from the VSF, Melbourne Croatia is set to stage the most remarkable comeback in Australian soccer history by gaining entry to the most prestigious league in the land — the NSL.

the land — the NSL.

Croatia's history is colorful, to say the least, and confusing too. It involves five clubs — Ukranian Soccer Club (USC) Lions, Hajduk, Preston, Croat and the club known as Croatia which competed in State League in 1963 and again in 1965, until its controversial exclusion from federation ranks.

It all started with the old Croatia club which was formed back in 1953 and played for two years in the Provisional League In 1955, Croatia finished second to Bruswick in the old Metrolitan South division while Lions finished second, on goal average, to Coburg in the Metropolitan North division

Hajduk enters the tale in 1956, winning the Metropolitan North division

Hajduk enters the tale in 1956, winning the Metropolitan North title, with Lions again finishing second on goal average. Hajduk's league success lifted it into the Third Division, finishing fourth in 1957.

Croatia and Lions both competed in the Metro North division in 1958 and by now, Croatia had moved to North Geelong, where it played at ground No. 2 in Separation Street. Hajduk too, had made a move — into the higher standard of First Division North. But that was to be the

# Mergers, success, expulsion

end of Hajduk, which amalgamated with Lions in 1959. The new club was called Lions-Hajduk for just one season, then reverted back to Lions. The merger carried Lions into First Division North, alongside Croatia, which had not there by winning creation.

into First Division North, alongside Croatia, which nag got there by winning promotion.

At the end of the 1958 season, Croatia was sitting at the top of the table, set for promotion to State League. However, there had been a long dispute over a Preston versue, there had been a long dispute over a Preston versue, and the state of the season's end, the VSF ruled that Brunswick played an ineligible player in that match, therefore the points were awarded to Preston, enabling it to pip Croatia for the title.

for the title. This disappointed many Croatia officials, including Enver Begovic, who was later to become chairman of the VSF Begovic, Radojevic, Marinov and Florescu virtually took over Preston, which had until then been run by Hungarian brothers J. and H. Liepold. Nine players also switched to Preston from Croatia. They included Dukic, Romol, Horvath, Gregovic, Tanjoni and Slivar. A re-organisation of leagues resulted in Croatia playing in First Division North. In 1960, and Lions playing in Second Division North. Croatia finished the season in fifth spot, while Lions clinched the championship.

So Lions joined Croatia in First Division North for the 1961 season. Meanwhile, Preston had finished second bottom in State League in 1969 and was relegated to First Division South for the 1961 season. That was when Preston became Preston Croatia, mekaning that you had Croatia and Lions in the north division and Preston-Croatia in the south.

Lions won First Division North in 1981 by a point from Finerentina, Croatia was a further two points away in third the control of the control

Lions won First Division North in 1961 by a point from Fiorentina. Croatia was a further two points away in third spot. Preston-Croatia won First Division SOuth by dine points from Brighton. So both Lions and Preston-Croatia and wan to promotion to State League for the 1962 season. Feeling left out, Croatia moved away from Geelong to the Maribyrnong Spoecdway, determined to be successory of the Maribyrnong Spoecdway, determined to the Maribyrnong Spoecdway, and the Maribyrnong Spoecdway, determined to be successory of the Maribyrnon Company, determined to be successory of the Maribyrnon Co

Now the Croatian community was faced with the prospect of having two clubs in State League. That was out of the question, as one would rob the other of support. The problem was solved by amalgamation. The new Croatia club stayed at the Maribyrnong Speedway. Begovic was president, Burin was secretary, Harry Mrska was treasurer and I. Marinovic was chairman.

Lions switched to Montgomery Park, Essendon, and as later to be known as Essendon Lions.

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Lions finished the 1983 State League season in eighth spot but Croatia finished second last, ahead of Richmond. Begovic and Richmond boss Adam Pfeiffer, took legal action against the VSF, claiming that there had been an agreement that the two last-placed clubs should have the right to play off against clubs coming up, to decide the promotion-relegation set-up.

The VSF argued that no such agreement existed and won, meaning Croatia and Richmond had to take the big

Vojrek brothers — Bill and Jim — Horst Rau and Ollie Norris, wan the First Division championship and was pro-moted back to State League for the 1965 season.



# Frank Burin

Former president, secretary and manager, team manager, Frank Burin, says that Croatia will be one of the few NSL clubs next year, able to draw fans at away games as well as at home.

"There are well establish-ed Croatian communities in Sydney, Brisbane, Adelaide, Newcastle, Wollongong and Canberra and these people will come to watch us for sure," said Burin.

"I did the final draft of our application for NSL inclusion next year and I pointed out that we have the resources and the capacity to go into the National League and assist and contribute to the development of soccer in Australia."

Burin presently is on the State League board of man-

Mackay best

agement, the full VSF board of management and is the federation's second delegate to the ASF executive. He has served on various VSF subcommittees and was chairman of the state squad sub-committee in 1890 and to short period in 1981, Burin Lorenta in 1898, Lorenta in 1898, Lorenta in 1938. He spent a vear and a half in Italy before coming to Australia in 1997. Shortly after his arrival, he became involved with Croatia, which then was based in Geelong. The club made Melbourne its head-quarters at the end of 1861 and Burin was club president in 1962. He served as secretary from 1983 to 1870, didn't seek re-election in 1971 but was called back to the club late that year to take on the team manager's duties.

Croatia's expulsion from the VSF in 1972 ended Burin's involvement in administration until the club

was resurrected in 1976 by its takeover of Essendon Lions, with Burin as team manager and VSF delegate. Burin is a senior employment officer with the commonwealth department of employment and industrial relations, a time consuming job which will curtail the involvement he'd like to have with Croatia in the NSL next year.

Creatia, just after clinching the 1983 Statis League Cup, Back row: Eddie Mussiferovic (committee), Onie Latif. Drago Beenkovic, Anto Bilaver, Stave Ggivvic, Rah McRau, Jazo Astolovic, Peter Blashy, George Harnath, Joe Sigur (president), Vlado Pras (tosen manager). Front rew: Frank Zepocic Cennittee), Zdravko Jurcovic, Keith Adams (captein), Tommy Cumming (coach), Josep Bildic, Cumming (coach), Josep Bildic, Cumming (coach), Jasip Biskic, Jeff Faulkner, Marty Bozic, David Bregan, Teny Curci



THE PLAYERS



Annual meeting Nov 20

Jimmy Mackay

Croatia is administered by an eight-man executive committee, headed by president Joe Sigur, who runs Victoria Smallgoods.
Sigur's vice-presidents are steve Mandekic, a petrol station proprietor, and Chris Govic, a building contractor.
Eddle Musaferovic, a supervisor with a machinery company, is club secretary,

A party! Croatia players, offi-cials, wives and girlfriends will be guests of Mato Jurisic, licensee of the Pler Hotel in Williamstown, this Sunday

PETER BLASBY (goalkeeper):
Joined from Heidelberg Alexander
in 1979 in a deal involving Yaka Banovic leaving Croatia. Has been
almost a permanent fixture in goal
ever since. Superb reflexes and
positions himself well.
ROBERT MCRAE (goalkeeper): Joined from Waverley City
in 1981 for a \$500 transfer fee.
Young, with a lot of potential.
Tall, lean and one to keep your eye
on for the future.

on for the future.

TONY CURCIO (defender):
Signed from Juventus for \$3,000 in
1982. Skilful and very fast. Recovers well. Seen at his best overlapping and whenever he plays right back, his partnership with
Josip Biskic down that flank has been one of Croatia's strengths. Gama, is a building contractor.
Davor Filipovic, an engineer, is club treasurer. His assistant, Stave Barac, is an electrical contractor.
The other executive member is team manager Vlado Prsa.
Croatia will hold its annual general meeting at the Croatian community club in Footscray, on November 28, starting at 3pm.
The club's annual presentation night will be held at Broadmeadows Town Hall on November 19. The night kicks ff at 7pm and runs till 2am.

SEAN PARTON (defender): A real bargain buy, Signed from J.U.S.T. for \$300 last year. Was playing with Dandenong City in 1878 when he linked up with Steve Blair to form a formidable defensive barrier for the Victorian youth team which won the national championship. Made his mark in State League in 1980 with Frankston City as a right back. Switched to J.U.S.T., the following year but never got a chance to show his worth. Has been a tremendous replacement for stalwart stopper Steve Kokoska, who retired at the end of last season.

KEITH ADAMS (defender): Captain and sweeper. The man SEAN PARTON (defender): A

who generals the side from the back. Reads play extremely well, a ferocious tackler and great clubman, he was signed from Ringwood Wilhelmian in 1979 for \$2,500. Has represented Victoria. Now well established as one of the finest sweepers in State League.

ANTE BILAVER (defender):
Croatia's longest-serving present
player. He joined Lions from Shepparton City in 1974, a year before
Croatia took over Lions. A very
tough player whose ability on the
ball often is underestimated. A
loyal servant to the club and a fine
competitor.

Competitor.

GEORGE HANNAH (defender):
Signed for \$5,000 from Hellas this
year. Like Bilaver, Hannah takes
no prisoners. He's an ideal defensive player for he can play either
at full back or as stopper. His
presence this year has added both
quality and depth to Croatia's first
team souad.

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JOSIP BISKIC (midfielder): Joined from BSK Slavonski Brod in 1982, and has really blossometh his season. His close ball skills have treated Croatian fans to a superb spectacle in 1983. A true ball player who can score as well as make gools. The most out-

standing right sided attacking midfielder in the league this sea-

JOZO ANTOLOVIC: (midfielder) Signed from NK Olimpia Osijek last year. Adds bite of Croatta in midfield. Obe let player is skilful too. His partnership with Biskic is a delight to watch and he has had a consistent season.

JEFF FAULKNEM (midfielder): Hit a low in 1981 when he was virtually discarded by Preston Makedonia for the latter part of the season. Joined Croatta in 1982 for a \$5,000 transfer fee and has regained the prestige he had enjoyed with Makedonia's State League championship winning team of 1980. A talented and intelligent objects. championship winning team 1980. A talented and intellige player. A class midfielder.

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STEVE GOJEVIC (midfielder):
At just 18, this immensely skilful and elegant youngster is widely tipped to become one of the finest players in Australian soccer. His performance in the State League Cup final against Ajax had to be seen to be believed. What a future he's got! He's a product of Croatia's iuniors. seen to be believed. What a future he's got! He's a product of Croatia's juniors. DAVID BROGAN (forward): Croatia's leading scorer for the

past two seasons with 18 league goals in 1982 and 21 this year. Signed from Croydon City in 1981 for \$6,500 and has represented Vic-toria. Comes off defenders well, gets his turns in and is a deadly finisher. A top flight striker.

TOMMY CUMMING (forward): Build as the best player in Australia a couple of years ago even though he has yet to play in the National League. An aggressive runner, skilful too, respected by every defender he comes up against. Took over as player-coach recently and leads the only way he knows how — by example. One of the outstanding players to play in this country in the past decade.

OSSIE LATIE (forward). Signed from Keilor Austria in 1982 for \$7.000. a huge sum for a teenager Still is developing and has an outstanding future. He is reputed to have the hardest shot in State League and has represented Victoria at youth level.

DRAGO DEANKOVIC (utility):
Joined from NK Rijeka last year.
Can play either in defence or up
front. He was injured earlier this
year and was unavailable for over
10 games. He joined Croatia with a

big reputation and if fit, could I up to it next season.

RICHIE MC CLUNIE (I ward): Signed from Morw Falcons this year for a \$1, transfer fee. Tall, lanky, good the air, but has great close tontrol, a feature of his game often appreciated. Has found by season but is a proven \$2, League goolscorer.

team chances hard to come by the season but is a proven St. League goalscorer.

GEORGE RADMAN (defer): A product of Croatla's incrs. This tall, strong central fender is just 18 and still denoting. Is being groomed to a over as stopper in the first to and has represented Victora junior level.

MARTY BOZIC (defender): Other junior product. Has blaying sweeper in the reser this season, the position he seems suited to. Before that, played in midfield. He reads y well and has fine ball disposal skillul player and one Milch. Club hopes will develop intregular first teamer.

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ROBERT MARKOVAC (ward): Many good judges of jut talent think that 16-year-old wow will be an outstanding seperformer. He was in the Vic ian youth team which context the national youth championstic Camberra earlier this year. At promising striker with a rem able goalscoring record in jut soccer.

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season in sixth spot.

Iammy McMecchan, Bobby McLachlan, Bill McIntyBrian Adlam, Joe Keenan, Ian Currie and Duncan
Kay were bought in one of the biggest and best
urges yet in the Victorian transfer market.
Mecchan finished the season as Croata's leading
rer. Other players that year were Wright, Rau, Bot,
si, Matijewic, Chetkuit, Kovacek and Billy Vojtek. The
at Jimmy Mackay Joined at the end of the season.

added the Dockerty and Ampol Cup to its honors list. Croatia finished the league season with 33 points, followed by Polonia on 26, Hellas on 25 and Hakoah and Lions both

Polonia on 28, Helias on 25 and Hakoah and Lions both on 24.
In 1969, Croatin retained the Dockerty Cup, beating Juventus 3-1 in the final. However, Croatia had to be content with finishing in fourth place in the league. In 1970, Croatia featured Ray Wixey, Bobby Symington, Brian Williams, Ivica Turicar and Joe Rahjer, in addition to regulars Vojtek, Mackay, Gunn, McIntyre, McArthur and Kovacek. It also was the year Frank Bot retired.

Croatia finished fourth in the league while Lions were near the foot of the table.

The following year, 1971, was the most disastrous in Lions' history. The team went 15 games before scoring its only win of the season and it took 873 minutes of play before Eddie Butler managed the team's first goal of the league season.

Lions 0-6 loss to Wilhelmina was the biggest of the season. In recording only one win and scoring just 10 goals. Lions created record "lows" which still stand. While Helias recorded only one win hits season, it is cored 23 goals. In 1970, Box Hill finished the season with just two points, both from draws, but scored 12 goals.

Croatia, on the other hand, enjoyed success in 1971. It started off by winning the Ampol Cup final 5-1 against J.U.S.T. Croatia also won the Intercity Ampol Cup against Western Suburbs of Sydney, with McIntyre nothing a halt-trick. And in the State League Cup final, Croatia downed Hellas 3-2. White Croatia finished the league in third spot, it won the reserves title on goal average from Wilhelmina and Hellas.

Everything went smoothly until there was a crowd disturbance during a match at Olympic Park gainst Hakoah. As a result, the VSF expelled Croatia from the federation. Croatia fought the decision through legal channels but to no avail.

Austria.

Although they no longer had a soccer team, Croatia of-

ficials continued to have weekly meetings every Tuesday, as well as picnics and other social functions, waiting for

as well as picnics and other social functions, waiting for an opportunity to get back into soccer. In July, 1974, Tony Vrzina was appointed coach of Lions. It was a move which eventually led to the Croatian take-over of Lions. That take-over was completed in 1975. A total of \$25,800 was handed to the Ukranian committed as compensation for the money it had spent on Montgom-

A total of \$25,800 was handed to the Ukranian committee as compensation for the money it had spent on Montgomery Park, Essendon.

A new committee was setup involving people connected with the defunct Croatia club. Vrzina was president-manger and Duze Zemunik was coach. The first thing the new club's leaders did was to change the team's colors form gold and blue to the Croatian colors of red, white and blue Essendon Croatia finished sixth in 1975.

At the start of 1976, former Croatia junior, Branko Culina, was transferred from \$1. Albans. Vrana also negotiated the purchase of dual Rothmans Medallist John Gardiner for \$6,000 from George Cross, the highest transfer fee paid by a Metro Culb.

Croatia finished third in the league and reached the semi-linals of the Dockerty Cup. As a result of the formation of the National League, the top four First Division clubs were drafted into the State League for 1877. Essendon Croatia was one of them. The others were Altona, Frankston City and Green Gully Ajax.

I van Luburic had headed the committee in 1976 but stepped down during 1977. Joe Sigur was the new president. Frank Burlin was team manager.

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State Sigur left the committee in 1978 and Joe Solic was presi-dent in 1979. Ivan Marin was president in 1980 and for a short period in 1981. Ivan Pavlovic was at the helm until Sigur's return.

den'in 1979. Ivan Marin was president in 1980 and for a short period in 1981, Ivan Pavlovic was at the helm until Sigur's return. During this period a host of good players wore Croatia colors as the club came to be recognised as the leading light in State League These players included Gardiner, Steve Kokoska, Ivan Grujicic, Brian Davidson, Yakka Banovic, Eddie Krncevic, Alan Kerr, Kenny Murphy, Steve Short, Carl Gilder, Noel Mitten, Joe Tront, Keith, Adams, Tommy Cumming, Bavid Brogan, Grant Smat, John Kennedy, Howard Jandrews, Ante Bilaver, George McMillan, Puddy Bannon, and a host of others. Gardiner was player-coach in 1978 until a dispute arose between him and the club and Bill McArthur became coach (routiu won its second State League Championship and also won the Ampol and State League Cups.
Brian Edgley was coach in 1979, until being replaced by Gardiner in July of that year. Croatla was third in the league when Gardiner took over but eventually won the Life for a Second Successive season. Krncevic was transferred to Marconi for \$9,000 and Yakka Banovic, that outstanding goalkeeper, joined Heidelberg in a deal involving cash and the appearance of goalkeeper Peter Blasby in Croatia colors.
For the second successive year, Cumming won the

cash and the appearance of goalkeeper Peter Blasby in Croatia colors. The econd successive year, Cumming won the Rothman Medal.

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Continue was still player-coach in 1980. While Croatia had to settle for runner-up spot in the league, it was halled as the Cups king that year. It defeated National League the Heidelberg Alexander 2-1 in the linal of the Ampol Cup with goals from Gilder and Murphy. Then came perhaps the most incredible Dockerty Cup final ewer. Croatia was facing up to Juventus and although Croatia started favoire, no-one envisaged a stunning 7-0 scoreline at the end of this match.

But Cumming wasn't there to take part in the Dockerty and State League Cup wins. He had been injured in a Socretore training, cump in Sudney, aggravated the serious pelvic complaint playing for Victoria against. AC Milanerty in the season and was to be sidelined until the start of this year.

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Gardiner Joined Green Gully Ajax at the start of the 1881 season and Rocco Ille was coach du shortly after the Ampol Cup, Ille and the committee underwent an upheaval. Sigur took over again as president and Len McKendry became coach.
Paddy Bannon had been signed from Heidelberg Alexander for the 1981 season and after McKendry left to return to Heidelberg Alexander, the club he had led to victory in the 1980 National League top four series, was one Croatia's five coaches that season. The others, apart from McKendry and Ille, were Duze Zemunik and Fred Bunce
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McArthur was coach once more in 1982. For about 12 games. He refused to lose sole selection responsibility and was replaced by Mijo Kis, who had coached Croatia 10 years earlier.

years earlier
Croatia finished second in the league, its third successive such placing. Gardiner was signed as player-coach for this season.
Again Croatia finished second. Gardiner was sacked, along with assistant coaches George Train and Des Spolar, just three weeks ago and Tommy Cumming appointed to take over for the State League Cup and Dockerty Cup. So far, Cumming has enjoyed great success. Croatia wallped arch rival Ajax 4-0 in the State League Cup final with outstanding displays from Josip Biskic, Steve Gojevic, Jeff Faulkner and Jozo Antolovic.

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# Honors galore

- 1962 First Division champion 1964 First Division champion 1965 Runner-up Dockerty Cup 1966 Arnsstreng Cup winner 1968 State Leegue champion, Dockerty Cup winner, Ampol Cup winner, beaten finalist in Intercity Ampol Cup.

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strong Cup winner, runner-up Dock-erty Cup.

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great comeback

hat year, 1965, was the turning point for both Croatia Lions. It pointed Croatia towards success and Lions to mutal failure iroatia started the season by losing six of its first seven nes. It's reply was to spend five thousand pounds (a sive sum in those days) on new players and it finished season in sixth season. season in sixth spot

at Jimmy Mackay joined at the end of the season.
Jons finished second last. The final table read. Hellas
points: George Cross 32, Juventus 39, Slavia 29,
S.T. 26, Croatia 25, Hakoah 23, Polonia 21, Wilhelia 18, Melbourne 12; Lions 8, Triestina 6,
Froatia consolidated in State League in 1966 and findt third in 1967 while Lions finished third bottom.

he following year, 1968, was filled with success for atia. The club won its first State League title, and

Hellas.

Croatia started the 1972 season by winning the Ampol
Cup but this was to be the last year of the club's existence
until late 1975.

no avail.
Meanwhile, Lions struggled in First Division, finishing
third last
Croatia, of course, lost many star players. Vojtek went
to Sydney Croatia, Mackay to Hakoah-Sydney, McIntyre
theHas and Kondarios, Turicar and Hadiavdic to Kelfor-

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# Sigur wants to win NSL title

Joe Sigur, 44, set to become the first president to lead Melbourne Croatia into the National League, says that his club will be the biggest in Australia in a few years and won't rule out the possi-bility of Croatia winning the National League championship at its first attempt.

"First you need luck. then you need to be very, very good. We need two, maybe three players at the most. We have some players in mind but we'll have to wait and see what our coach for next year thinks. We've spoken to a few people of the players of the work of the work

"We know who the people responsible for that are and they should be ashamed of

themselves. I felt sick at the time. It's hard to put into words. It was a very say yor a top club to finish, but we stuck together and we never gave up. That's why we are where we are today. I'm proud of my club and the people involved in making it great again."

sigur first became president in 1977. He was confident in his ability to do the job but he resigned in 1987. He was confident in his ability to do the job but he resigned in 1989. The term of the time. I had done so much the time. Sigur returned early in 1981 after a committee upheaval which saw president lava Pavlovic standing down. Sigur took over for his second term as president. "I really missed not being officially involved with the club over these few years. I love soccer. That's the only sport I follow. I don't gamble and I have few other interests. Soccer is part of my life. When some people got together and asked me to come back I was happy to do so. Soccer is part of my life. When some people got together and asked me to come back I was happy to do so. Ulle had resigned after the Ampol Cup series and Duze Zemunik was caretaker coach. The crowd had dwindled, with star players like Billy Voljek, Yakka Banovic and Eddie Krencevic transfered to other clubs. Sigur had to act and act quickly.

Sigur and his committee hired Len McKendry as a good coach. That's why we hired him. I still say that he's a good coach. We had problems with the players due to the players d

did."
When McKendry left to rejoin Heidelberg Alexander, Paddy Bannon took over as

player-coach. When negotiations between Bannon and Sigur's committee over a more permanent appointment, broke down, Fred Bunce was hired. He lasted one game. Croatia hammered Sonshine City 5-1 but Bunce was sacked. "We had a meeting with Bunce when we gave him the job and we told him that we were having problems with some players, especially Carl Committee interference. Ne have the right to supus puspens and the first team, and the same and the first team. Bunce seemed to accept that but when I got to the game on Sunday, Gilder was on the bench for the first team. I couldn't believe it. Then

enough for me. Bunce had to go."

Bill McArthur was hired as coach in 1952. Croatia was on top of the league after eight games, two points clear of Ajax. Then it lost 4-2 to Ajaxa to Green Gully Reserve. McArthur was told to accept a selection panel after the match. He refused. He was sacked. "Even though we were on top of the league when McArthur left, a blind man could see that there were problems with the team. We hired Mr. Kis and I have to tell you that he is an absolute gentleman. He's the best coach I've seen over the years, but he had been away from soccer for a long time



and it's not easy to come back into the game and start up from where you left off."
Kis left at the end of last year. John Gardiner returned as player-coach after two seasons with Ajax.
"Johnny Gardiner told me that he wasn't fit enough to play but if he had been fit he could have played easily. That might have made a difference this year. I'm not sure."
Gardiner's sacking three weeks ago probably ended his association with Croatia which goes back to 1976 when the club bought him from George Cross.

Club bought hand Cross. Sigur's association goes back to 1964 and will continue for many years to come.

# Stars of the future



Crostia's outstanding under-13 team which von the Super League title and Northern Rewon the Super Leggue title and Northern Re-gional Cup this year. Back row: M. Hrkac (team manager), A. Grgic, N. Kolgec, M. Hrkac, F. Valentic, A. Stipic, P. Krajacic, R. Carrozza, F. Monforte (coach). Front row: A. Kralovic, K. Marcovac, K. Carin, J. Lipari, J. Jurcic, T. Magdic. Missing: R. Gaspar. This was Croatia's first year in the under-13 Super Leggue and what a successful one it

was! Ascot Vale Pizza Restaurant donated a new strip for the boys and for that, the club is most greatful.

The season started on a sour note, when Richard Gaspar broke his leg in the first league game. Coach Monforte, team manager Hrkac and all the lads, wish Richard well and they're looking forward to seeing him back in action next veer.

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Woods, Sterrey, Viadic,
Rezo (Davis), Savor, Arnold, Kovacic, Hensman
(Radman).
MELITA EAGLES: A.
MCPherson, Williams,
Cross, McGinn, Daley
(MCCOy), Griffiths, Farnsworth, McAusland (Duartel), Farrugia, McKie,
Jamieson.

Jamieson.
Croatia and Melita
Eagles will have to do it
all again at the Sydney
Sports Ground on Sunday, After 90 minutes of football last weekend the two sides were locked to-gether and extra time could not provide us with

the winner.

It was a brilliant game with Croatia having the upper hand, then Melita, during the normal period then Melita having the love the set of the



# NSW State League with ALEX VESIC

side of the early sixties.
And he certainly wasn't

wrong!
Both sides started like express trains attempting

wrong!
Both sides started like express trains attempting to subdue each other as early as possible.
Graeme Arnold was the first to try his luck with a missed, then came Melita's goal. Following a free kick from Farrupia from 25 metres, the ball took a deflection from the defensive wall and deceived Watson in goal. While Watson went to his right the ball sailed through the middle much to the delight of this large Maltese contingent at the North-western part of the ground. Melita stormed Watson's goal and soon after it worke through to face an empty net but missed from 14 metres.

At the other end. McPherson had his hands ull saving from Hensman, then Rezo.
Brett Woods had his shot go over the bar, while at the other end. Micky Cross wasted his good run by shooting well over.
Croatia managed to score after 29 minutes

Croatia managed to score after 29 minutes

Auburn takes in Uruguay

Yet another State League club in NSW has amalgamated in an effort to help boost its gate takings.

its gate takings.

Auburn will be known next season as Auburn-Uruguay, after the two sides amalgamated last week.

According to Fred Parker, Auburn club spokesman, Auburn has amalgamated with the largest ethnic group not represented in the National or State league.

A big group of South American migrants live in the area south of Sydney, predominantly in Fairfield, Granville and Merrylands.

Auburn-Uruguay is soon to appoint a coach for the 1984 season but it appears that Ljubo Gojkovic has the numbars to take the job. With trials to be conducted soon in order to select a new squad for the 1984 season, it is obvious that the new club is starting its build-up early, hoping for an improved season

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This is the second merger in the State League this year. Bankstown already has signed its agreement with National Sports, taking in the large Lebanese community. The new club will be known as Banks-town-National. — ALEX VESIC.

through Hensman after some good work by Arnold but the goal was cancelled for offside.

but the goal was cancelled for offsole Action was thick and action the closing stages of the first half with McAustands shooting over the barat one end. then Hensman heading over after Arnold and Savor provided the spade work.

With 10 minutes remaining in this half it was Hensman who broke through after beating Williams, to go to the bye-line then cross into the box for Marijan Kovacic to head past the post from only five metres out. The second half provided some detightful football with Melita having fartings but falling to a goal by Kovacic then having to go into extra time.

ings but falling to a goal by Kovacic them having to go more than the second of the was them that Melita showed distinct superiority and certainly had Watson worried. Wavne Farnsworth could have sealed the game for Melita twice. On both occasions he had only Watson to heat but shot well over.

With Croatia defending grimly, it was time for Watson to show his wares and he was in brilliant touch to deny Melita any access to his net. At the other end. McPherson anticipated well to deny Redman after the tall striker beat Williams on the left hand side to face Melita's goal. However he well to dead with the left hand side to face Melita's goal. However he went wide and McPherson managed to block the shot with a brave dive.

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a brave dive.
With only four minutes
remaining, Griffith, Melial's star player, took the
ball just inside his half and
stormed forward. He was
fouled badly by Woods and
had to receive attention.
Woods received a vellow
card while Melita had the
free kick.
From the ensuing play.
Farnsworth received a
pass inside the area. He
quickly turned Tomasich
to face Watson then blast
his shot well over the bar
from only eight metres

from only eight metres out.

To be fair, had Farnsworth scored, it would not be undeserving but after a match like this there should not be a inner — in fact the only winner on the day was this great game of football and one must only

hope that the two sides continue to display this sort of stuff in the National

League next year.

Griffith and Kovacic stood tall but you could hardly point to a player who failed on the day.

### Second Grade Sutherland 1 Blacktown 0

Scorer: Hargreaves 41: SUTHERLAND: Bert, Foster, Nelson, Higgins, Parsons, Fuller, Sola, Ro-gers, Hargraneva, John-stone, Cooper. BLACKTOWN: Free-man, Kirwan, Shaw, Pur-cell, Falzon, Lumsdaine, Pearson, Thorntwaite, Rolls, Campbell, Well-bourne.

### Third Grade Canterbury 0 Croatia 3

Scorens: 20' Caleta, 23
Pevlic, 52' Pevlic.
CROATIA: Bassioli,
Kosic, Mouawad, Samrdzic, Ivancic, Lerobic, Rato,
Vassilou, (Maccol), Caleta,
Pevlic, Dugic.
CANTERBURY: Voudgis, Bortolin, Welsh, Lubonic, D'Imperior, Nicpolous, Beddoni, (Toms), Angelis, Androcopoulos,
Baracat (Papas), Fternatis.



Melita Eagles goalie Alex McPherson (second from right) punches clear under pressure from Graeme Arnold of Croatia (right) and team mate Col McAusland. In the background is Melita star Alex Jamieson. Pictures by ANTON CERMAK.



It's all square now at 1-1. At right, Wally Savor (Croatia) is picking team mate and scorer Marian Kovacic out of the net while Peter Hensman's raised, clenched fist says it all. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

# Hennessey wants to coach here

Terry Honnessy, recently named Couch of the
Year in the North American Soccer League, wants
to coach in Australià.
Hennessay coached
Tulsa Roughnecks to a 2-0
win in Soccer Bowl '83
over Toronto Blizzard recently.

ently. His son, Dean, plays in ne Victorian State League vith Albion Rovers.

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# Hat-trick heroes

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This week's hat-trick heroes

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## Celtic dance

Metropolitan First Division ub Kew Celtic will hold its mual presentation night at smelor receptions on Mel-vurne Cup eve, Monday, Oc-ber 31.

Tickets are \$55 a double and can be booked by phoning Pat

# Rossi, Conti struggle as Sweden hammers Italy

Sweden finally ended Italy's remote European championship hopes with a fully-merited 3-0 victory in front of 70,000 stunned fans in Naples to boost its own chances of qualifying for next summer's finals.

The Swedes have finished their group five program with 11 points from eight games and stand two points ahead of Romania, which has two matches still to play.

They dominated proceedings from the kick-off and the demoralised Italians, fielding only four of the side which won the World Cup in Spain last year, were lucky to escape so lightly.

Benfica striker Glenn Stromberg was a con-

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Benfica striker (Jenn Stromberg was a con-stant menace to the Italian defence and he gave Sweden a 2-0 lead at the interval with goals in the 20th and 77th minutes.

And any thoughts the world champions en-tertained of staging a second half comeback were shattered in the 71st minute when Thomas Sunesson breached the once-redoub-table Italian defence for the third time.

Stromberg punished the fragile Italian defence with two perfect examples of high-class finishing. His first came from a powerful shot on the run and he followed that up seven minutes later when he collected a pass on the left and lashed the ball past advancing goalkeeper Ivano Bordon. Italy's formerly impregnable defence was left in disarray yet again when Sunesson took the tally to three, flicking home a cross from the right.

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the right.

Manager Enzo Bearzot, who has brought in
a number of new faces as Italy build for the
1986 World Cup in Mexico, will have much to

1986 World Cup in Mexico, will have much to ponder.

Paolo Rossi and Bruno Conti endured a miserable afternoon against the towering Swedish back four while Stromberg and Robert Prytz controlled the midfield.

Swedish manager Lars Arnesson diplomatically declined to comment on Italy's performance and said: "A coach watches his own side so I can't comment on Italy."

Asked if he thought he had made a mistake in his choice of players, Bearzot replied: "Who am I supposed to experiment with, then? The old world champions? Its early days yet. We are building for 1986."

# Victorian Cups

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Armstrong Cup Semi-finals: Northcote 3 Thomastown 2; Green Gully Ajax 0 Juventus 0 AET, Ajax won 4-2 on penalties.

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Provisional League

Reserve Cup
Semi-finals: Yarraville
defeated Brunswick City 6-5 on
penalties, Springvale United 2
Mordialloc-Clarinda 3 AET.

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Amateur League Reserve Cup Semi-finals: West United 1 Chadstone 2, Maccabi Hakoah 1 Vermont 3.

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Amateur League
Senior Cup
Semi-finals: Westall 3 Ascot
Vale City 4 AET, South Parkmore 4 Philip United 0.
The final of both the reserve
and senior Amateur League
Cups will be played as a double
header this Sunday, October
Z3, at Rosanna's home ground,
Vallambie Reserve, Yallambie. The Reserve Cup final
starts at Ipm, followed by the
Senior Cup final.

# Sorry mate, but you're sacked

The Melbourne Croatia committee knew that George Train had done a fine job this year as assistant coach to John Gardiner, nevertheless, when it swung the blade in Train's direction too.

Croatia's other assistant coach at the time, Joe Spoljar, also was sacked.
"I really enjoyed myself this year and I learned a lot working with John Gardiner. I'm bitterly disappointed at being sacked because John's decision to go on the end-of-season trip with Green Gully had absolutely nothing to do with me". said Train.

Gardiner employed Train earlier this year after Hammy McMeechan left to take over the Juventus reserves. Like Gardiner, Train was on a verbal contract.

The average age of Croatia's reserves this year was 17. Richie McClunie, signed from Morvell Falcons early in the season, was the "veteran" of the reserve side which, under Train's guidance, won the league champlonship four points. In the process, McClunie scored 21 goals.

"Croatia president Joe Sigur apologised for having to sack me but the committee felt that because me and Joe

Spoljar supported John, we had to go", said Train.
Train, 35, came to Australia from Scotland in 1970. He spent five seasons with Slavia, two with Croatia, two with Croatia, two with Altona City, then Joined Sunbury United as player-coach. Sunbury won the Provisional League championship in Train's first year, won promotion from Metro Fourth Division with a runner-up league finish in his second year and finished 10th in Train's third and finished 10th in Trid wisdon in Train's third and final year.
Train played with Kew City this year while coaching Croatia's reserves.

Bill Buchanan great

but Burton wins it

# It's Croatia by a whisker, Hillmen to make history

Les Shorrock and Jock Stephen should be made honorary Hill and Ringwood Wilhelmina, for it was these two soccer scribes who made the draw for Sunday's Dockerty Cup semi-final double header at Olympic Park.

Olympic Park.
Shorrock and Stephen were invited to make the draw last Sunday after the Olympic Sunday after the Olympic Sunday after the Olympic Sunday after the Olympic Sunday after the Sunday after the Sunday after the Sunday Sunda

ker hat in preference to my tartan bonnet!
Stephen had first pick, drawing Wilholmina's name out of his hat. Shorrock was not of his hat. Shorrock was not of his hat. Shorrock was not of his hat. Shorrock Hill's name. Langer and Burin were dumblounded. A VSF official fainted. Shorrock jokingly suggested that he could drop Box hill's name back into the hat and have another joke. But the other wittenesses refused to fiddle the draw.
"Now you can go back to your paper and tell them hat we don't fix Dockerty Cup draws," said Wallace to Shorrock.

Not now, and may the days such fixing rest in ever

of such fixing rest in ever lasting peace.
So we find ourselves with Croatia and Ajax, the two glamor teams of State League, clashing in the second semi-final on Sunday.

Shorrock tips an Ajax victory, "Soccer Action" editor Laurie Schwab says that Croatia will win. Peter Desira went for Box Hill. Really, He scratched his head, re-adjusted his glasses about five tipsed to make a prediction about the Croatia V Ajax clash

clash
Clever bloke that Desira. I
wish I was able to wriggle out
of this as easily.

of this as easily.

This will be one of the highlights of the season. There can
be little doubt about that. The
key to this game could lie at
the feet (the foot, to be more
accurate) of Croatia playercoach Tommy Cumming. He'll
have to play and play well, if
Croatia is to win.

Croatia is to win.

Cumming didn't seem in any discomfort during Croatie's 40-state League Cup final victory against Ajax, despite needing a cortisone injection before the match due to a hair-line fracture in a foot. He had planned to rest the injury until the final; expected to be against Ajax until the Shorrock-Stephen gang pulled off their coup last weekend.

Cumming now has' been

Cumming now has been forced to play. If he can perform, Croatia can win. I'm convinced that the team isn't nearly as effective or confident without Cumming. Jeff

### Moncur

Bobby Moneur, the former Newcastle United and Scotland defender, has quit as manager of Plymouth Argyle and get a \$40,000 handshake into the bargain. New Plymouth boss may be Alan Dicks who was manager of Briston City for about 12 years and has recently been in charge of Greek club Ethnikos.

# Mooroolbark

Motro Fourth Division outfit Mooroolbark will hold a Nostalgla Night in its Esther Park clubrooms on Saturday, October 29. The present clubrooms are soon to be demoished and new rooms, valued at about \$150,000, built. Mooroolbark past players will take on the club's present players at 4 pm on the Satur-

players at 4 pm on the Satur-day. The Nostalgia Nigfht kicks off at 8 pm for \$4 a head. A band and full canteen facil-ities will be in operation.



Victorian State League with CRAIG MACKENZIE

Faulkner too will be back after missing the quarter-final against Morwell through suspension. That means Croatia will be at full strength.

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Croatia was prepared to mix it with aggressive Ajax in the State League Cup and will have to do so again. But this time, Ajax will be at full strength. In the State League Cup final. Willie Vassallo, Ajax's Player of the Year, was unavailable and young Fabio Mancinelli played.

Ajax won't be caught on the hop here. It knows that Croatia players are prepared to get stuck in. Nevertheless, if Cumming does well. I'm going for Croatia. By a whisker

FALCONS O. After extra time. Croatia won 4-2 on penalties. Dockerty Cup quarter-final. Second game of a double header at Olympic Park, Sunday. Referes: Upjohn 7.

MELBOURDE CROATIA: Blasby 7 - Curcle 6, Hannah 7, Parton 7, Bilaves 5 - Biskie 6, Antolovic 7, Adams 8, Gejevic 5 - Latt 5, Bropan 7. Coach: Tommy Cumming. MORWELL FALCONS: Whiteside 9 - Plummer 7, Irvine 7 lini, Leckey 77tth, Highem 9, Train 7 - Bingham 8, Young 8, MacLan 7. T. von Baar 7 lini, Contabile 01st 0 - Mittee 8, McGuinness (sem off 27th), Coach: Tony Boggi.

When striker Bobby McGuinness was sent off for alleged foul and abusive language in the 27th minute he took with him whatever chance Morvell Falcons had of winning this game in normal time.

Nevertheless, Falcons fought and fought hard against the almost constant pounding from Croatia for the remainder of this match and eventually went down in a penalty show-down.

This was a very determined Morwell side. Indeed, the spirit displayed by the Falcons players could have been put to good use earlier this season and there can be little doubt that if these players had shown such fight consistently this season, Falcons would have finished far higher up the State League ladder. Brilliantly led by goalkeeper Bill Whiteside, playing probably his last game with Morwell, the Latrobe Valley outfit, one reduced to 10 men, simply refused to give in and Croatia was unable to exploit its numerical superiority.

This probably was coach Tony Boggi's last game in charge of Falcons. The club recently flew Jimmy Dunne out from the U.K. to interview him for the coaching position for next year and it is believed that Dunne has accept

The first semi-final at head-quarters, featuring Ringwood Wilhelmina and Box Hill, kicks off at 1.15 pm.

The Hillman really impressed me against Fawkner last weekend. If they can maintain the discipline and spirit they showed in that match, they can reach the Dockerty Cup final. If so, they would write themselves into the history books. According to our records, which include an extensive club history written by Lynn Patterson, Box Hill never has reached the Dockerty Cup final.

reached the Dockerty cup final
I think a new chapter in that history will be written at Olympie Park this Sunday.
Box Hil coach Bill Murray has a pleasing selection prob-lem — how to fit talented, tough midfielder Richard Mi-randa into the line-up. Miran-da, the former Preston Make-donia player, missed als weekend's match due to injury but resumed training this week.

McGuinness sent off



Skinhead power? Morwell's Joe Plummer

(left) chases Croatia striker Ossie Latif at Olympic Park on Sunday. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

Murray's on the ball

BOX HILL 3 (Verechia 21st, Hughes penalty 23rd, penalty 83rd) FAWKNER 1 lie o.g. 11th). Dockerty Cup quarter-final. Second game of a double header at Wembley Park, Sunday. Referee: Venois 6.

BOX HILL: McKinley 7 - 1.
Roodhouse 7, Brownke 8, Lawler 7,
A. Roodhouse 7 - Hughes 8,
Tolmie 7, McDonald 8, Ramos 7 Verechia 8, Priestley 8. Coach: 8ill

22nd minute. Noel Mitten headed the ball on to McGuinness, near the back-line on the right. McGuinness crossed hard and low and although Jim McLean missed with an attempted diving header, the ball fell for Tony van Baar, but the Morwell midfielder blasted over the bar from 10 metres.

Two minutes after McGuinness's departure, David Brpogan made a fine break. Whiteside forced Brogan wide with John Higham covering the goal. Brogan's shot trickled agonisingly wide of the far post.

From this point on, Croatia pounded in vain at the Morwell goal. The only player showing any knowledge of how to try and break down Falcons' defensive barrier, was Croatia captain Keith Adams, playing in midfield in the first half due to Jeff Paulkner's one-match suspension. Player-coach Tommy Cumming was another absentee, resting a hairline fracture in his foot, an injury he carried into the State League Cup final, thanks to a cortisone injection.

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Cumming re-arranged his team at half time. Adams went back to sweeper, George Hannah switched to right back, and Tony Curcio pushed into midfield.

The highlight of the second half came in the 89th minute. Ossie Latif's lay-off was smacked first time by Brogan but the brilliant Whiteside pulled off a spectacular full stretch save, touching the ball just wide.

When extra time didn't break the deadlock, both sides line up for the decisive penalty showdown. Morwell was disadvantaged here, having three successful penalty takers unavailable, McGuinness of course, had been sent off, John O'Callaghan was serving a one-match suspension and Alun Evans is recovering from a broken leg.

Croatia's successful penalty takers, in order, were Brogan, Latif, Adams and Jozo Antolovic. Niten scored first for Falcons, flarry Bingham hit the post, Eric Young converted, then Jim MacLean's attempt was saved by Peter Blasby.

MICK O'BRIEN

Box Hill coach Bill Murray started preparing his players for their semi-final clash im-mediately after the Hillmen's decisive 3-1 quarter-final win

the Wembley Park clubrooms that the Hillmen were drawn to meet Ringwood Wilhelmina in the semis of the 1883 Dock-erty Cup. Murray sensed the dangers of a poor mental attitude straight away. Murray moved about his players, re-assuring them of the strength of opponent Wilhelmina. He didn't want overconfidence to small like a

the strength of opponent Wilhelmina. He didn't want overconfidence to gnaw like a
cancer at his players' approach to this vital game.

The second quarter-final
here, between home side. Box
Hill and Fawkner, loomed as a
great contest between the
teams that fought out the First
Division title last year and finished a point apart in State
League this year. However,
after the first 15 minutes, it
was no contest.

At that time, Fawkner was
leading 1-0. It looked sharper
from the outset with Tony
Schipano giving lan Kood
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Schipano who broke clear in
the 11th minute, on the left of
the area, and sent a firm drive
into the Hillmen's goalmouth,
which led to the opening goal.
Mel Anselma was charging in
and just missed to connect. So
did fan Tuffield, with Donald
Brownlie at his back. The Box
Hill stopper however, deflected the ball into his own goal
off the far post and Fawkner
had got the start it was searching for.

Two minutes later, Pedro
Ramos played a superb
through ball to Peter Vere-

ing for.
Two minutes later, Pedro Ramos played a superb through ball to Peter Verechia Everyone expected an offside flag to be waved but the linesman let play continue. Even Verechia seemed surprised and he failed to control the ball cleanly when only confronted by Rob Terzini.
Verechia though, was about to make his mark on the match, and what a game he had. His powerful running, botton and off the ball, was a highlight. Fawkner really missed Bruno Sabdunesis midfield. He injured with eating on the Tuedday before this game and was operated on last saured and was operated on last saured and was operated on last saured. Botton was resulted to the saured was operated on last saured and was operated was saured and was operated saured and was operated and was operate

agame and was operated on last Saturday.

Box Hill's pressure was re-warded with two goals in two minutes, which took a lot of the fight out of Fawkner.

A Tolmie corner in the 21st minute was headed on at the near post by sweeper Donovan Lawler and Verechia, sliding

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Stewart 7, Coach: Rudi van Altena.
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7, Webster 7, Willer 6 — Watson
house 7, Sürton 7, Coach: Hammy
McMeschan

Young Doveton goalkeeper Adam Ryan made just one mistake in this match and it

was enough to allow Barry Burton to put Ringwood Wil-

helmina into the Dockerty Cup semi-finals.

goai for me equainser.
Cesare Fattore slipped, out
wide on Box Hill's right, in the
23rd minute and Priestley set
sail for goal. Fattore recovered and caught Priestley
inside the area but shoved the
Box Hill Striker, sending him
sprawling. Referee Venios,
after looking at his linesman,
pointed to the penalty spot
With usual penalty taker Richard Miranda out injured,
thughes strode up and converted comfortably, sending
Terzini the wrong way.
Near the end of the half.
Shipam's left foot shot was
remarked to the strong way.
The should be a should be a should be
promited to the content of the
back. Priestley motored away
from Sabbadini down the right
and who should be running into
space in the middle but right
back Ian Roodhouse, who had
made a 70 metre off-the-bail
run Priestley played the bail
run Roodhouse's path but the
defender knocked it too far
forward and lost control. It
was the clearest cut chance of
the match.
About six minutes into the
second half, Lawler downed
Painkas well inside the area.
Venios didn't give a penalty
Not long after. Anselma got
clear on the left and played the
bail square across the face of
goal. Ian Tuffield appeared to
be pulled from behind by Alan
Roodhouse Again, Fawkner
appeals for a penalty went un-

appears for a penarty went un-heeded.
A Lawler header from a Tolmie corner was headed off the line by Michael Giacomi in the 57th minute and in the 75th minute, Terzini made the save of the match.

Priestley let fly from about 15 metres and Terzini was committed to diving. The ball was deflected in an instant, Terzini had to re-adjust. He did so in spectacular fashion. He was on his knees, moving to his right, but was able to fling a hand up, to his left, and palm the ball wide.

with 15 minutes left, and Box Hill clearly the better team. Jim Dondarios went to centre forward in a desparate bid to level the scores. The move almost paid off.

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Kondarios dribbled past the
last defender in the 79th
minute and looked set to score
until McKinlay charged well
off his line and smothered
superbly. It was Fawkner's
last chance.

last chance.

McDonald played a
delightful ball into Verechia's
path in the 83rd minute. The
young striker was about to
shoot when Giacomi tripped
him. Venios gave the penalty
and Hughes again converted.

-CRAIG MacKENZIE

Extra time was odds on when Withelmina left back Graham Haupt got (grward down the left and crossed Ryan should have stayed in goal but he came off his line, with no chance of reaching the ball first, and Burton neatly headed over the stranded keeper to make it 10 with a minute of normal time remaining.

Ryan, until then, had done

manue or normal time remaining. Ryan, until then, had done
everything right. His handling, especially in the air, was excellent. So too was his positioning. until that, fatal
moment late in the the game.
Don't however, think that
Wilhelmina stole this match.
Quite the contrary IF had
more of the play and should
have wrapped up the game
earlier.

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With John Dowie Injured, Steve Gadsby and Greg McLeod cup-tied, Mark Lennon suspended and Peter Thurlow at a wedding, Doveron fielded a makeshit India war in the word of the word of the war in the word of the wo

When Wilhelmina stopper Hans Meyer, a fine prospect, made a superb tackle against Waterhouse in the second half, forcing the Doveton young-ster to leave the field and receive treatment, the Doves were left with just Sean Keogh in reserve. Michael Keogh had come on at half time for Jones

in reserve. Michael keogh had come on at half time for Jones Suddenly, Sean Keogh was faced with the nerve racking prospect of becoming and outfield player again after a loyear stint in goals. Croatia young stint in goals. Croatia young stint in goals. Croatia young server reliabed such a prospect. Blasby started his career as a winger and harbors a fantasy of showing us all just what a speedster he could be in that role. Sean Keogh however, doesn't have Blasby's imagination. Fortunately for Keogh Waterhouse recovered and came back on. Wilhelmins had the better of the first half. Ryan pulled off an excellent fingertip, save to

Wilhelmina had the better of the first half. Ryan pulled off an excellent fingertip save to tip a Dave Gibson drive over the bar in the 20th minute. Ryan was to make an even better save in the dying seconds of this half. A Gibson corner to the near post was

seconds of this half. A Gibson corner to the near post was headed on by Barry Burton. Neil Garvey, well held in check by Paul Corke early, found himself with a free header at the back post. Garvey headed firmly from four metres but Ryan was able to clear with his leg.

Two minutes into the second half, Wilhelmina was desper-Iwo minutes into the second half, Wilhelmina was desperately unlucky not to open the scoring. Guy Bakker unleashed a dipping 20 metre drive which beat Ryan but struck the underside of the bar. Ken Stewart, under pressure from Hilli, couldn't get onto the end of the rebound and the ball was scrambled clear.

Stan Webster had started off in midfield but coach McMeechan pushed Webster in midfield but coach McMeechan pushed Webster forward alongside Stirton in the second half, with Water-house dropping back into midfield. Webster fought like a terrier in this second stanza but the Doves failed to get enough players forward from midfield to support their two front runners.

The longer the second half went, the more certain it seemed that Withelmina would break the deadlock. After some near misses and scrambles in the Doveton goalmouth, it took that one error of judgement from Ryan and Burton's excellent header, to settle the issue.

# Six magic minutes from Ajax

GREEN GULLY AJAX 3 (Boyle 55th, Toal 58th, P. Lewis 61st) CROYDON CITY O. Dockerty Cup quarter-final. First game of a double header at Olympic Park, Sunday. Referee: Fokianos 7.

GREEN GULLY AJAX: Denys 9
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7, Hogben 6 — Vassallo 6, Boyle 9,
Williams 7 — Yoel 7, Snathman 6,
Paul Lowis 8. Coach: David Smallman.

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arlay 6, Singleton 6, Dobson 5,
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It took six minutes of Ajax magic to win the club a semi-final berth. In that time, three goals were scored and Croydon's hopes of an upset were dashed

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Ajax looked a lacklustre
outfit in the first half while
Croydon turned in a determined display. Nevertheless,
Ajax came closest to scoring
right on half time, when Gary
Hobson's headed back pass
beat Lou Kastner but, fortunately for Croydon, the ball
struck the upright and bounced
back into play.

Ajax went into overdrive in
the 55th minute and six
minutes later, led 3-0.

A long pass from Peter Boyle sent Paul Lewis clear in a race to the ball with Kastner. The Croydon keeper slipped and Lewis won possession near the back-line. Lewis waited for support, then sidefooted home to make it 1-0.

Three minutes later, a Croydon defender slipped and Bobby Toal got clear. Kastner came off his line but Toal cleverly chipped the ball wide of the Croydon keeper, and into the far corner to make it 2-0.

A superb Boyle through ball in the 61st minute caught Croydon stopper Ian Dobson and slotted the ball in, wide of the advancing Kastner. Couple of gears, reverting to its earlier lethargy. This was time for Lou Denys to show off his considerable talent.

The Ajax goalkeeper made superb saves to deny Steve Marley, Dobson and Joe Sweeney from getting Croydon back into the game.

The highlight of the closing

Sweeney from getting Croydon back into the game.

The highlight of the closing stages was an absolutely staggering piece of linesmanship in the 88th minute. The ball had been played into the Ajax area from a set-piece situation. Ajax players, with the exception of Peter Lewis and Deput Meyers pushed forward.

David Hogben, pushed forward trying to spring the offisde trap. Dobson was given offside by the linesman, in spite of the anding on their own goal

MICK O'BRIEN

While the scoreline reflects a comfortable Ajax victory, the green and whites will I ave to put it together for a much longer period when they clash with Croatia on Sunday in the semi-finals.

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# **BJORN NORDQVIST RETIRES WITH** WORLD RECORD

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Bjorn Nordqvist, who played a world record 115 internationals for the Swedish national team from 1963-1979, retired from big-time soccer last week after playing his 1,138th game.

## World Cup

A record 119 countries have entered for the preliminary rounds of the 1986 World Soccer Cup compared with 109 entries for last year's World Cup in Spain.

Europe with 32 entrants, comprise the largest grouping, followed by Africa (29), Asia (26) North and Central Amercia (18), South America (10) and Oceania with three.

The group draws for the preliminary rounds in Zurich will be made on December 7.

Preliminary matches will start on May 1 and should be concluded by November 15, 1985.

"I still enjoy playing the matches, but I hate to train I decided to quit after discovering that I tried to cheat during practice drills," Nordquist said after his club team Orgryte was eliminated in the quarter-finals of the Swedish league playoffs

Nordqvist, who recently turned 41, played three World Cup tournaments for Sweden. The highlight of his 23-year career came in 1974, when Sweden finished fifth in the World Cup in West Germany, the veteran sweeper says.

Four years later, he broke Englishman Bobby Moore's

# Francis outscores Falcao, Roma makes \$7 million



From JIM COOK our European correspondent

Trevor Francis has been crowned the soccer King of Italian soccer. He came top of the poll carried out by the country's three daily sports paper, beating the other 31 for-eign players. Francis, who plays for Sampdoria, was followed in second place by Roberto Falcao while Zico was third.

### Schumacher

West German international keeper Tony Schumacher is transfer-listed by Cologne after the power struggle by players which led to the resig-nation of coach Rinus Miches Schumacher copped a 2000 Deutchmarks fine by Cologne after moves were made to unseat the club chairman and after moves were made to unseat the club chairman and team manager.

### The Butcher

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Keny Delighi faces the spinechilling prospect of playing directly against Andoni Goicochea, the
"Butcher of Bibao", when Liverpool plays Athletica Bibao in the
second round of the European
Cup. Goicocchea is the man who
has put the world's costiest playcomposition of the total control
for three months and although the
Spanish international desender
copped an 18-match suspension,
this applies only to his club's domastic competitions.

### Arrested

o Carlos Bianchi's reward for acoring the goal that gave Velex Sarafield a 1-0 win over previously unbesten Argentine League leaders Huracan was, to say the least, unexpected. Bianchi celebrated his goal by racing towards and making signs at the Huracan fans. The police found this unamusing . . and arrested the striker, marching him straight to the police station.

• French international Jean Marc Forreri is still celebrating the ankle injury he received during a friendly against Yugoslavia. Shortly afterwords, Forreri was called up for his national service — but when he hobbled in for his medical, he was declared unfit for active service!

### Rich Roma

Italian champion Roma an-nounced that gate receipts from its first five home matches this season plus season ticket sales netted a staggering \$7 million.

### Cup draw

The World Cup draw will be made on December 8 to determine the pairings to decide who makes the finals of 1986 in Mexico.

### Bordeaux

Bordeaux is hitting the high spots in the French League this season, thanks mainly to the goal scoring of World Cup star Alain Giresse who has reached double figures in the club's first 10 league matches.

### Traitor!

Zbigniew Boniek of Poland snatched the winning goal for Ju-ventus in the European tie against Lechta Gdansk.

### Mahoney out

John Mahoney, Swansea City's 37 year old Welsh inter-national who has played 489 Football League matches and 51 for Wales, has been forced to quit after a recurring ankle injury.

### Hennessey

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Shock of North American
Soccer League was the 2-0
Soccer Bowl final win by Tulsa
Roughnecks of Oklahoma over
the expensive Toronto Blizzards at
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before 53,000 Tulsa, led and
coached by the much-capped
Walsh international Terry Henness
ey, are just one of many of the
11 NASL sides with dire financial
problems and have decided to go
public" Terry's son Dean plays
for Albion Rovers in Melbourne.

### Super Cup

The first leg of the European Super Cup clash between S.V. Hemburg and Aberdeen is scheduled for the Folkspark Stadium on Wednesday, November 22, but the date for the return leg in Aberdeen is uncertain although a provisional date has been fixed as December 6.

### Sansom

Kenny Sansom, the Arsenal and England defender, wants a move. Sansom, who joined the Gunners in 1979, in a \$2 million swap deal for Clive Allen, has played 36 times for England.

### Hrubesch

Horst Hrubesch the West erman international striker German international striker hadn't a dream start with his new club Standard Liege which has a poor disciplinary record. Horst made it poorer by being sont off against Antwerp who won 2-0.

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former world record of 108 internationals in a 1-1 draw with Brazil in a first round World Cup match at Mar del Plata, Argentina.

A former Dutch champion during his final season with PSV Eindhoven, where he played 157 games 1972-75. Nordqvist played both outdoor and indoor soccer for the now defunct Minnesota Kicks of the North American Soccer League in the late 705.

"It was a great experience to play in the NASL, especially indoors. I only wish I had been younger when I went to Amer-ica." said Nordqvist, who became one of the oldest NASL rookies ever at 37 in 1979.

As a libero (sweeper), Nordqvist seldom figured in the headlines during his ca-reer. He faced most of the big stars and seldom played a bad game. Nordqvist scored only 30 goals in 1,138 matches

Named player of the year in Swedish soccer only once (1968). Nordquist also starred at ice hockey and bandy — the latter a winter sport played only in Sweden, Norway, Finand, the Soviet Union and some parts of Minnesota — before taking up soccer full-time in the early 60s

time in the early 605 Dina 20f, Italy's former star goalkeeper, is second on the all-time list behind Nordqvist with 112 internationals Moore, who dropped to thid earlier this year, is third with 108 games Bobby Charlton, another great English player, is fourth with 106 internationals. Only seven other players scored a century the world's most popular sport.

# Beware the bunnies

Footballing twins Steve and Dave Drew have been put on the injury list... by a team of rabbits.

Both have fallen foul of a mys-tery infection which made their groins swell.

Steve had to take a week off work, and his fiancee Wendy Ed-monds, 19, said: "It is not doing our sex life any good at all."

She added: "I feel so sorry for him. The poor boy could hardly walk If was ever so painful."

The 20-year-old twins play for Southern League team Milton Keynes. Other players have also been stricken by the painful and ombarrassing allment, which crops up only after home games on the club's Manorfields ground.

Dr Richard Holmes, a bacte-riologist at the nearby Open Uni-versity, believes that rabbit drop-pings on the pitch could be to blame.

## **Ferencyaros** banished

The Hungarian Soccer Federation, ruling on a recent senior league match broken off in a shower of onlons and French rolls, has ordered Ferenevaros to play the next two matches away Irom its stadium.

dium.

Ferencvaros' game against the guest team Haladas, was ended in the 55th minute with a 2-2 tie, after a fan, protesting a Haladas goal, threw a metal passenger handle from a subway train on the field. Haladas goalie Peter Hegedus collapsed, claiming he had been hit by the hall-kilo (one-pound) handle.

Referree Laszio Buki did not

pound) handle.

Referee Laszlo Buki did not see the object hit Hegedus but stopped the game upon seeing the handle on the field. Other spectators showered the field with onions and French rolls.

The Federation's disciplinary commission decided to let the score stand and ordered Ferencuaros to play the next two matches at least 50 kilometres (31 miles) away from its Budapest Stadium.



# SOCCER AROUND

# Belgium qualifies, Turkey gives Germans a hand

Belgium continued its remarkable scucess story of recent years when it became the first nation to join host France in the 1984 D Finals:

GROUP ONE

East Genomy beat Switzentend
3-0 (hollfism a 1-0) in East Berline.
Scorars: Hans Richter (45 mig).
Rainer Ernst (74), Joachim Strock
(90).
Attendence: 15 000.
Atten European Championship Finals.

The Belgians, runners-up to West Germany in the 1980 conpetition in Italy, dropped its first point in Group One when they were held to a 1-1 draw by Scotland in Glasgow.

But as Switzerland, the only side with a remote chance of pipping them on goal differ-ence, had gone down 0-3 in East Germany earlier in the day, the Belgians arrived at Hampden Park safe in the knowledge that win, lose or draw, they were assured of a visit to France.

The night's five other qualifying ties all proved inconclusive, although Denmark, Yugoslavia and The Netherlands improved their chances with vital wins.

West Germany, though it was not in action, also got the result it wanted when Turkey scored an unexpected victory over Northern Ireland in Ankara, leaving the holder as hot favourite in Group Six.

Belgium took the lead against Scotland when Franky Vercauteren scored with a fine opportunist goal in the 30th

Scotland had long since lost all interest in this competition, but, with the 1986 World Cup draw only eight weeks away, it roared back in a bid to impress manager Jock Stein.

And its pressure finally paid off in the 49th minute thanks to the exciting Charlie Nicholas-Kenny Dalglish partnership.

Kenny Dalgins partnersnip.

It was the \$1.3 million Arsenal striker who started the move by intercepting a weak clearance from Michel Wintaco. Nicholas exchanged passes with Dalgish, rounded Belgian goalkeeper Jean-Marie Pfaff and tucked the ball neatly into the gaping net.

European Championship re-sults:

# New Italy

of an era.

Only three members of the Italians' World Cup winning side-Paule Rossi, Brune Conti and Bari and it now appears certain that Italy's future lies with the new bread, the most prominent of whom are Carlo Ancelotti (Roma), Brune Giordano (Lazio), Giusappe Dossana (Torino) and Saladore Bagni (Internazionale Milani).

These four, plus the Mundial survivors, are likely to form the backbone of an Azzuri team capable of defending its crown with honor in Mexico.

- PAUL MOON Malt

### THIRD EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS, 1966/68

Group One

- Spain 0-0, 0-2. y - Spain 0-0, 0-2. ia - Spain 1-0, 1-2. - Turkey 2-0, 1-2. - C'vakia 0-2, 2-1.

Group Four Albania — Yugoslavia 0-2, 0-4. W Garmany — Yugoslavia 3-1, W. Germany 0-0, 6-0. Yugoslavia

Qualified: Yugoslavia

Group Five

Holland — Hungary 2-2, 1-2.

Hungary — Denmark 6-0, 2-0.

E. Germany — Hungary 1-0, 1-3.

Holland — E. Germany 1-0, 3-4.

E. Germany — Denmark 3-2, 1-1.

Qualified: Hungary 1-0, 3-4.

Land — E. Germany 1-0, 3-4.

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Land — G. Serven 1-0, 3-4.

Switzerland — Huly 2-2, 0-4.

Switzerland — Cyprus 5-0, 1-2.

Cyprus — Rumania 3-1, 5-0, 7-2.

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Qualified: Italy 2-2, 0-4.

Rumania — Switzerland 4-2, 1-7.

Qualified: Italy — Group Swytzerland 4-2, 1-7.

Group Swytzerland 4-2, 1-7.

Group Seven
France — Poland 2-1, 4-1.
Luxembourg — France 0-3, 1-3.
Luxembourg — Poland 0-0, 0-4.
Poland — Gelglam 3-1, 4-2.
Belglium — Luxembourg 3-0, 5-0.
Qualified: France

-finals
- Spain 1-0, 2-1.
- Italy 3-2, 0-2.
- Yugoslavia 1-1, 1-5.
- USSR 2-0, 0-3.

Match for Third Place England - USSR 2-0.

Yugoslavia 1-1 (after

FINAL Replay - Olympic Sta-ium, Rome - June 10, 1968 -

FINAL Replay — Olympic Stadium, Rome — June 10, 1386 – 65,000
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# Kiwis home after big brawl

New Zealand and Taiwan battled out a 1-1 draw in a pre-olympic qualifying match which developed into a massive brawl at the Taipei City

Peland v Portugel, Nov 13 Portugal v Soviet Union.

GROU THREE
Demmark beart Luxembourg 6-0
(halftime 4-0) in Copenhagen.
Scorers – Michael Laudrup (17,
24, 69 mina), Proben Elkjaer G7,
50), Alfan Simonean (41)
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Naxt match: Oct 26 — W
Gemany vs Turksy.
GROUP SEVEN
The Netherlands best Ireland 3-2
(haltims 0-2) in Dublin.
Scorers: Netherlands — Guilding of the Milker 
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brawl at the Taipei City stadium.

It was the final match in the Asia-Oceania Group Five preliminary competition for the 1984 Olympic soccer tournament in Los Angeles. New Zealand and Japan will now advance to the Olympic contest.

In previous matches, New Zealand bard Japan 3-1 and 1-0. It also beat Taiwan 2-0 in the first encounter. Japan beat Taiwan 2-0 and later drew 1-1 in the second game.

In last week's encounter, rough play by both teams in the second half sparked a massive fist fight that was stopped by Filipino referee Reynaldo Reyes. He called off the match one or two minutes before the end of regulation time.

Some of the 8,000 Taiwanese spectators jumped down on the field and joined in the brawl to attack the New Zealanders but police broke off the clash, which some sports writers said was "regrettable and shameful."

Almost all the players from the two teams took part in the rawl which Jasted about three minutes.

Taiwanese player Chen Yin-

brawl which, lasted about three minutes.

Taiwanese player Chen Yin-Lun was ordered off for rough play in the 30th minute. New Zealand's captain Alan Boath headed in his team's only goal in the first minute after kick-off. Taiwan's Lee Tsung-Chib scored the equaliser in the 38th minute.

minute.
Taiwanese goalkeeper Lin
Chin-Wong excelled.

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Italy's Domenghini scores his side's first goal in the quarter final second leg against Bulgaria. Domenghini was to score a similar goal from a free kick in the 1968 final against Yugoslavia.

# zajic shines but Italy wins it,

The third edition of the European Nations Cup attracted a record participation. The 32 teams were split into eight four-team round ence Yugoslavia turned on a marvellous performance against England and won its way into the final with a late goal from Dzajic.

The match for third place and the final were played as a doubte header in Rome's Olympic Stadium.

England took out the losers' final by thoroughly outplaying the Soviet Union, winning 20.

The large 88,000 crowd had every reason to expect Italy to beat Yugoslavia but the Azurris were a huge disappointment.

England tocky to hold on to a 1-1 draw after extra time.

The formidable Dzajic opened the scoring in the first half for Yugoslavia and as the

The winner of each section was to proceed to the quarter-

was to proceed to the quarterlinals.

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niards 2-1.

The Bulgaria-Italy tie has plenty of drama as Asparou-kov led his team to a 3-2 victory in a packed Levski Stadium in Sofia.

tory in a packed Levski Stadium in Sofia.

But Italy turned the tables on a defence-minded Bulgaria in the return in Naples by winning 2-0, the second goal coming from a superb diving header from AC Milan left winger Pierino Prati.

Hungary looked a strong bet for a semi-final spot after a convincing 2-0 win over the USSR in Budapest but the Soviets edged out the Magyars by winning the return in Moscow 3-0.

Dragan Dzajic, the Red Starhero, was one of Yugoslavia's best players as the Sivs overcame the French 5-1 in Belgrade after holding them to a 1-1 draw in Paris.

The final series was held in Italy and the Italians and English were tipped to meet in the final.

In the first semi-final in Naples, the USSR played a fine defensive match to hold the Italians to a goalless draw after extra time.

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PHILIP MICALLEF continues the history of the European Championships.

Italians fought desperately for the equaliser the Slavs missed two great chances in quick counter-attendations and the state of the sta

ence.
Riva opened the scoring for Italy early in the first half and centre-forward Anastasi made it two with a superb half-volley which set the Olympic Stadium alight.

which set the Olympic Sta-dium alight. The jaded and demoralised Yugoslavs were unable to match the sharp Italians who

went on to win the trophy -their first major honor in 30



Dragan Dzajic



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# CLUB CALCISTICI HANNO D A COMUNITA' DA CUI VOGLIONO SOSTEG

Con le sconfitte di Mor-well e Fawkner nella Dockerty Cup e della JU-ventus nella Armstrong Cup, e' calato ormai il si-pario sulla stagione uffi-ciale delle tre italiane della massima divisione statale.

E' arrivato cosi' il momento di tirare le somme, di analizdi tirare le somme, di analiz-zare i risultati di quest'annata eccexionale sotto certi aspetti, deludente sotto altri, del calcio italiano nel Victoria. Lo faremo dettagliatamente nelle prossime settimane.

prossime settimane.

Ma in linea di massima bisogna dire che il calcio e' vivo
e vegeto fra la nostra comunita' di Melbourne, anchese,
purtroppo, soffre di alcuni
gravi scompensi a livello amministrativo. La scena
calcistica italiana e' anchese,
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dominata a troppa approssimazione, da troppe divisioni.



da troppe gelosie. In questo ambiente il tifoso, che e' pur sempre la componente piu' im-portante di uno sport come il

La mentalita' prevalente La mentalita' prevalente negli ambienti amministrativi della maggior parte del club italiani di calcio e' ancora molto indietro con i tempi. Si pensa ancora che una "squadra italiana" debba poter contare automatica-mente sull'appoggio della comunita' italiana per ques-tioni nazionalistiche, per un dovere sacro. C'è la tendenza a chiedere, a pretendere senza capire il dovere di dare e di offire qualcosa indietro.

clusivamente come "spettaco-lo" dovremmo concludere che poche squadre hanno diritto a qualsiasi appoggio perche' di "spettacolo" se ne vede molto

poco. Se guardiamo invece ai club calcistici come espres-sioni comunitarie, non possi-amo fare a meno di accorgerci-che lo "scambio" e' tutto a favore dei club. I club chiedono sempre e ricevono molto, molto spesso. Quando pero e' il momento di "dare" sono sordi o hanno tanti altri problemi).

Anni fa un ben intenzionato suggeri, per esempio, che l'annuale Coppa Italia assumesse anche un carattere comunitario devolendo parte del suo profitto ad un-opera meritevole come il Villaggio Vaccari. La proposta era stata fatta con la motiviazione che la gioventui sportiva di oggi ha un certo obbligo morale verso la vecchia generazione di pioneri che con il loro lavoro e la loro onestai hanno creato le condizioni sociali ed economiche in cui oggi possiamo goloro onesta' hanno creato le condizioni sociali ed economiche in cui oggi possiamo goderci lo sporte tante altre cose che forse nemmeno apprezziamo abbastanza. La proposta fu allora accettata con un generale sorriso che stava quasi a significare "ma questo e" matto" e solo l'influenza che il b en intenzionato in parola aveva a quel tempo riusci' a far approvare una "donazione straordinaria" di \$500 al Villaggio Vaccari. Negli anni successivi, naturalmente, della cosa non se ne riparlo più e sedici club continuano a dividersi gli incassi della competizione che, ripartiti in tante parti, ammontano a poche centinaia di dollari ciascuno che lasciano la situazione finanziaria dei jclub, anche dei più "piccoli, piu" o meno come la trovano.

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meno come la trova.

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all'ina iniziativa comunitari
che riscuole l'appoggio quasi
generale della nostra
colletivita, ad eccezione natural mente del settore
calcistico. A nostra memoria
nessun club calcistico ha mai

E la lista di "assenze" E la lista di "assenze" e' lalmente lunge, ma anche talmente evidente, che non bisogna dilungarsi oltre ad elencarla Le amministrazioni dei vari club di calcio che "pretendono" i l'appoggio della comunita' debbono fare la loro scelta al piu" presto possibleA essere parte della comunita' dando il loro contributo alle iniziative comunitarie, oppure essere semplicemente attivita' sportive che vanno sostenute in relazione allo "spettacolo" che offrono.

Oltretutto, anche se fare la carita' con secondi scopi non e' molto "cristiano", i club calcistici potrebbero rimanere piacevolmente sorpresi dal "guadagno" che farebbero a lungo andare se adottassero una politica di "dare" oltre che di "avere".

### MEDICARE "ASSICURA" LA COPPA ITALIA

L'ente mutualistico "Medi-bank", che presto cambiera' il suo nome in "Medicare" con il

ritorno al concetto iniziale del-l'assicurazione sanitaria uni-versale del vecchio Medibank Standard, dara' la sua "coper-tura assicurativa" all'edizione di quest'anno della Coppa Ital-ia.

Grazie a Max Culuzzi, fungrazie a Max Culuzzi, funzionario del Medicare addetto
alle relazioni comunitarie, la
competizione calcistica guadagnera' così il suo primo
sponsor commerciale oltre
tordei Sono al momento in
corso trattative per definire ta
forma di partecipazione della
"Medicare" ma fin d'ora non
possiamo che congratularci
con Max Culuzzi e con la sua
organizzazione per aver preso
tanto interesse nella competizione come manifestazione
comunitaria degna di
incraggiamento Siamo sicuri
che il contributo del "Medicare" causera" quella reasione di
cui parlevamo prima, quella
cioe che il "dare" spesso produce un "avere" molto genersos e che la comunita' sportiva
italiana prendera' in grande
simpatia l'ente mutualistico
nazionale.

### IN PERICOLO IL TITOLO **DELLA JUVENTUS U18**

Come tutti sappiamo la squadra U/18 della Juventus ha vinto il campionato di categoria appena conclusosi. Quello che invece molti non sapranno e' che la vitoria e' stata per il classico pelo rappresentato da una rete in piu' nella "differenza retti" rispetto alla formazione del George Cross. Purt'oppo pero la faccenda non sembra sia finale. Il George Cross e' andato a controllare i risultati e si e' accorto che il risultati e

il campionato al club martese.

Tutto e' possibile in questo
nostro calcio, ma che una
squadra si accorga di un risultato shagliato solo mesi dopo
della partita e' alquanto esagerato. Risultati e classifiche
vengono pubblicati ogni settimann su questo giornale,
giusto per citare un mezzo di
propagazione, es eu nerrore ci
fosse stato avrebbe dovuto
essere rettificato allora. Sara'
interessante vedere come la
federazione si comportera' in
questo frangente, che verdetto
dara' alla protesta del George
Cross e come motivera' tale
verdetto.

### **BOGGI LASCIA IL MORWELL**

Tony Boggi non allenera' il Morwell il prossimo anno. Il tecnico italiano che aveva as-sunto la direzione della squad-ra all'inizio della stagione con grandi speranze ha ''gettato la spugna'' dopo un'anhata a dir poco deludente.

Sia Boggi che la direzione del club hanno capito che e'

Alla vista di una bella zebra che pascola su un prato Alla vista di una bella zebra che pascola su un prato erboso con sullo sfondo un imponente edificio dallo linea modernissime qualsiasi sportivo italiano pensarebbe im-mediatemente agli impianti della squadra zebrata, spe-cialmente di questi tempi in cui si e'tanto parlato di una talke realizzazione su grande scala. Purtroppo invece tale concezione dell'illustrazione qui sopra e' piuttosto pre-

matura. Si tratta invece di un quadro del giovane pitore italiaustraliano Antonio Muratore che ha aperto unasua
mostra personale alla Universal Theatre Gallery (17 Victoria Street, Fitzvoy) nell'ambito del Festival Italiano
delle Arti che si svolge nelle nostra citta' fino al 30 di
questo mese. Il quadro e' naturalmente in vendita e sara'
interessante vedere se ad accaparrarselo sara' un dirigente o un tifoso bianconero.

gente o un tifoso bianconero impossible per un allenatore residente a Melbourne allenare una squadra che si trova in provincia. È' stato lo stesso Boggi, assieme a Bobby McLaghlan ad organizare la recente visita dalla Scozia di Dunne per rimpiazzarlo come allentatore il prossimo anno andando appunto ad abitare a Morwell. Anche per i giocatori si cerchera' di usare lo stesso criterio il prossimo anno poiche' si e' visto chiaramente che e' impossible avere mezza squadra a Morwell e'l'altra meta a Melbourne; l'unico al lenamento settimanale fatto da tutta la squadra assieme a Morwell pone un peso popo pesano possimo proposita qualtro ore di subomobile al giovedi' sera per raggiungere il resto della quadra.

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Per ora ci limitiamo alla notizia del cambio di guardia per il prossimo anno; in una delle prossime delizioni esamineremo piu da vicino il fatastico volo chei Falconi spiccarono l'anno scorso e la precupante perdita di quota fatta registrare quest'anno.

Intanto la situazione di Boggi rimane un punto inter-rogativo. Il tecnico italiano, che aveva guidato la Juventus al suo ultimo trionfo nel 1970 e che quindi raggiunse l'apice-della sua carriera come al-

lenatore della nazionale, non ha avuto delle stagioni partico-larmente felicinegli ultimi anni. Qualsiasi guidizio uno possa dare sul valore pura-mente tecnico di Bogi, e' innegabile che egli conosca l'ambiente del calcio locale come pochi. Sarebbe unvero peccato percio' se egli, anche a causa delle pressioni deri-vantegli dalla sua attivita' comerciale, decidesse di las-ciare la scena calcistica com-pletamente. A nostro guidizio, anche per le sue limitazioni di impo Tony Boggi e' in effetti il miglior direttore tecnico (o team manager che sivoglia dire) in circolazione. Sia lui che i maggiori club di Mel-bourne farebbero bene percio' a cominciare a orientarsi verso questa direzione.

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### "PRESENTATION" ALFAWK-NER E ALLA JUVE

NER E ALLA JUVE

Il conteggio dei voti per l'assegnazione della Cos Medal al Fawkner, avverra" questo sabato presso la sede del club. Ilriconoscimento va al giocarore che su base settimanale ha ricevuto il massimo punteggio da parte di unagiuria di tecnici della squadra.

La premiazione annuale del club avra' luogo sabato 12 no-vembre presso la sala per ri-cevimenti "La Scala" di Foot-scray. Coloro che non avessero anogra, i bigliatti par guera cevimenti "La Scala" di Foot-scray. Coloro che non avessero ancora i biglietti per questa serata farebbero bene a mef-ersi immediatamente in con-tatto con qualsiasi membro del comitato. La "presentation night" della Juventus avverra' invece domenica prossima, prima della partenza della squadra per Bali dove pre-nuale del club avra' quindi luogo sabato 26 novembre nella magnifica Melrose Re-ception di Tullamarine che los-tesso Primo Ministro Bob Hawke ha defini to recente-nente "sicuramente fra le più belle sale di Melbournet". Per ibiglietti di questa serata ci si puo' rivolgere qualsiasi membro del comitato o tele-fonare alla signora Tenace (63.2127 durante il giorno).

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Sve je islo na ruku Makedoniji, ali najzasluzniji su njeni, koji su ubedl jivo pobedlil West Adelaide sa 3:0. Nagradu za njihov trud pruzili su sami konkurenti, jer ni jedan od njih njie zabelezio pobedu, a najopasniji protivnik Sydoney City cak je porazen napustio teren i po svoj prilici ispao iz trke za prvo mesto.

po svoj prilici ispao iz trke za prvo mesto.

Istina, poslednje kolo na papiru je najteze za Makedoniu, jet igra protiv Olympica u Sidneju, gde je tradicionalno lose prolazila. Da sada, u tom maleroznom gradu "crno-crveni", nisu postigli ni jednu pobedu za tri godine od kako se takmice u Nacionalnoligi. Sa dnansnjim timon, koje je poneo val odusevljenja, Madedonija je na najboljem putu da razbije maler. Bez optimizma nema uspeba, ai la koje perteran moze biti fatialan. Iz razgovora koji su vodili na radio stanici Zarko Odzakov. Djordje Todorovski i Zoran Ilioski sa reporterima dobio se utisak da ovi momci nece nista prepustiti stucaju. Najmaldji je Zoran Ilioski sa reporterima dobio se utisak da ovi momci nece nista prepustiti stucaju. Najmaldji je Zoran Ilioski sa reporterima dobio se utisak da ovi momci nece nista prepustiti stucaju. Najmaldji je Zoran Ilioski sa reporterima dobio se utisak da ovi momci nece nista prepustiti stucaju. Najmaldji je Zoran Ilioski sa reporterima dobio se utisak da ovi momci nece nista prepustiti stucaju. Najmaldji je Zoran Ilioski sa reporterima dobio se utisak da ovi momci nece nista prepustiti stucaju. Najmaldji je Zoran Ilioski sa reporterima dobio se utisak da ovi momci nece nista prepustiti stucaju. Najmaldji je Zoran Ilioski sa reporterima dobio se utisak da ovi momci nece nista prepustiti stucaju. Najmaldji je Zoran Ilioski, na je zato najveće opimista, dok su Odzakov i Todorovski vilo opremi, sto je odile stani dobio najman i dostava do imali su dostava do imali

Sigurno je da ce navijaci Makedonije preplaviti Sidnej iduce nedelje, ali uprava Makedonije pripema ugodno iznenadjenje za one koji ne mogu napustiti Melburn. Angazovan je radio reporter, koji ce preko telefona prenositi celu utakmicu u klubske prostorije Madedonije, gde ce biti postavljeni zvucnici. Tele-fonski racun ce iznositi preko 500 dolara, ali bogato ce se isplatiti.

Ne samo za navijace Makedonije, vec za ceo fud-balski Melbura, ova utakmica bice pitanje prestiza Naslov prvaka osvajali su sidnejski klubovi 5 puta, je-danput je tu radost dozivela i Adelalda, a Melburn ni jedanput. Ove godine, veliku sansu imaju Makedonija i Helas, ali sve citaoce ove rubrike posebno ce obrado-vati uspeh Makedonije, koja je za kratko vreme u Nacionalnoj ligi postigla vise od svih ostalih i daleko bogatijih klubova.

### RAGBI II ADELAIDI

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JUST ce izgleda zavrsiti sezonu kao sto je poceo—
sa porazima. Posto se izvukao iz opasne zone i pronasao debelu hladovinu, JUST je nastavio de igra neodgovorno i bez ambicija. Istina, nije bilo nikakvih
povoka za inspiraciju, ali i prestiz je vazan faktor za
igrace, koji vole fudbal i klubske boje. Na zalost, u
"plavom" taboru ta osecanja su podeljena, a misteriozne povrede izbacuju iz stroja kljucne igrace.
Posteno govoreci, poraz u Adelaidi niko nije ocekivao, iako protivnik "plavih" nije bio nikada za potcenjivanje. Poznavajuci mentalitet JUSTovih fudbalera, domaci igraci su poceli brzo i grubo, pa su u
prvih 10 minuta postigli dva "blic" gola i izbacili iz
koloseka goste Onda je stupio na scenu sudija, koji je
ocigledno favorizovao domace igrace i njihovu grubu
igru, tako da su sporadicne tuce (cak upadanje gledalaca u igraliste) stvorile atmosferu Bliskog Istoka.
Pored toga, sto nije priznao regularan gol Jamie

Patona, sudija je pokazao "plavim" igracima dva crvena (Kyriakouleas i Belic) i sest zutih kartona, sto znaci da ce JUST biti desetkovan i sledece nedelje, kada igra poslednju ovogodisnju prvenstvenu utakmicu protiv Leichbarda na svom igralistu u Foot-scrayu. Ne samo na igralistu, veci van njega, JUST je naisaon na hladnu atmosferu koja ne bi smela da se docekuje gostuujuce klubove, narocito iz dalekih mesta. Sve sto je bilo potrebno (klylicujuci osvezavajuce pice) "jlavi" su dobljali sa velikom teskocom, da ne spominjemo osnovne zakone higijene i pristojnosti.

Poslednju utakmicu na svom igralistu JUST ce po svoj prilici odigrati sa podmladjenim sastavom. Ne bi bilo iose da se pruzi ponovo prilika Slobodanu Stoj-cevskom, koga je neopravdano posle povrede prekrio val zaborava. Nije cudo, sto ovaj talentovani igrac namerava da promeni sredinu.

### DOCKERTY KUP

Kroz dve nedelje odigrace se finale Dockerty kupa, najstarijeg takmicenja u Australiji, sa kojim ce se zavrsiti sezona u Viktoriji. Posle osvetnicke pobede nad Ajaksom, Croatia se uspavala i umalo sto nije ispala iz ovog eltinog takmicenja. "Crveni" su u Morwellu naleteli na tvrd orah, tako da se utakmica posle produzetka zavrsila bez golova. Odlucili su jedanaesterci i vece iskustvo igraca Crvatije, koja je jos uvek favorit za osvajanje Dockerty kupa. Ukoliko zreb ne bude nemilosrdan u finalu se mogu susresti najveci rivali Croatia i Ajax.

### ZATAJILI "PLAVI" STRELCI

U finalu Provizionalnog kupa Mordialoc Clarinda pobedila je Springvale United u produzetku igre sa 3.2. Igralo se po veliko iksi i blatu, sto je pomoglo Clarindi da savlada bolji tim iz Springvala. Medjutim, pitanje je da li blato i kisa toliko pomogli Clarindi da usdija nije bez razloga produzio regularni tok utakmice za citavih tri minuta. Tada je Clardina izjednacila, sto je dovelo do produzetka od 20 minuta.

U prvom poluvremenu nije bilo golova, a u 53. minutu sudija je opravdano dosudio jedanaesterac za Clarindu, koja je uspesno iskoristila udarac sa bele tacke i povela sa 1:0. Najbolji strelci Bratstva/Je-dinstva Milan Stojilovic, Dragoslav Jelicici Milenko Culibrk, koji se oporavio od povrede, nisu nikako mogli da se snadju na blatnjavom terenu, pa je ulogu. streica uspesno prihvatio vitki i borbeni Hitko Kaim. Postigao je dva lepa gola u 78. i85. minutu i izgledalo je da je obezbedio pobedu svome timu. Medjutim, umesao se sudija i Hitkov trud bio je uzaludan.

Ipak, Bratstvo/Jedinstvo je moralni pobednik ovog finala, koje je odigrao u sledecem sastavu: Milan Mandic, Dura Sivcev (Goran Velijovic od 55. minuta), Pero Dekic, Hiko Kaim, Dragan Janjic, Ninoslav Sip-cic, Dragoslav Jelicic, Marin Basic (Petko Tomic od 65. minuta), Stevan Janjic, Milan Stojilovic, Milenko Culibrk.

### **ZVEZDIN TURNIR**

Turnir amaterskog kluba Crvena zvezda odrzan je na dva igralista zbog nezapamcene poplave na JUST-ovom igralistu. U subotu se nekako odigralo prvo kolo ovog turnira, iako je voda bila do clanaka na JUST-ovom igralistu, ali sutradan se moglo igrati samo vaterpolo, zbog cega se preslo na Como Park I tamo je bilo blata, koje nije smetalo da se razviju lepe i uzbudljive igre.

Prvog dana su postignuti sledeci rezultati:
Drug tim JUSTa - West Wodonga 3:1. Strelci: Tony
Clayworth, Jimy Fernandez, Emil Petrov za JUST,
Ray Filipovic za West Wodongu.
C. vzezda - Bosna 2:0. Strelci: Mladen' Mutic i
Mendo Ristovski. Rezultati

na Parku:
C zvezda - West Wodonga 2:1. Strelci: Miki
C vetkovski i Boro Vjestica auto
I za Zvezdu, Marko

I za Alavuk za West Wodongu.

Drugi tim JUSTa - komb. Bosna 6:0 (5:0). Strelci: Tony Clayworth 3, Jimy Fernandez, Emil Petrov i Cane Velevski.

West Wodonga - komb. BOSNA 6:3. Strelci; Lui Ka-pilari, Peter Colombera, Paul Triburci, Jerry Devlin, Bepi Tudor i Mark Alavuk za West Wodongu, Branko Gavran 2 i David Franz autogol za Bosnu.

Drugi tim JUSTa - C. zvezda 2:2. Strelci: Dragoslav Jelicic autogol i Jim Fernandez za JUST, Dragoslav Jelicic 2 za Zvezdu. Umesto da je postigao makar jedan gol dan ranije za "Plave" iz Springvala u finalu Provizionalnog kupa, Dado je kao gost na turniru Zvezde ostvario "het-trik", ali jedanput je pogodio pogresnu mrezu.

Posto se igralo po bod sistemu drugi tim JUSTa je osvojio Zvezdin pehar zahvaljujuci boljoj gol razlici. Porred nevremena i promene igralista, turmi je izvanredno funkcionisao, sto je zasluga marljive uprave Zvezde na celu sa menadzerom Nikolom Milenkovicem. Najbolji igrac ovog turnira bio je Sasa Milenkovic, a golman mladi Zoran Vlanjic.

### VOJVODINA DRUGA NA SVOM TURNIRU

U nedelju 16. oktobra zavrsen je turnir Altone/-ojvodine po velikom nevremenu, ali u najboljem

ojvodine po velikom aevtenenia na variograspologoju.
U polufinalu su postignuti sledeci rezultati:
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Dallas City - Lalor Sloga 1:0.
Altona/Vojvodina - Carlton/Mladost 2:0. Oba gola
ostigao je Adam Miller, dob je golman Vojvodine
tan Peska odbranio penal, koji je izveo Vasko Stoj-

cevski. Za trece mesto: Cariton/Mladost - Lalor/Sloga 4:2 (1:0).

Cariton/Macost - Lator/Jouga - La Livy.
Finale.

Dallas City - Altona Vojvodina 2:0 (1:0). Gosti su se
bolje snasli po kisi i blatnjavom terenu, pa su zasluzeno svojili pehar Vojvodine. Vojvodina je mogla da
ugrozi pobedu gostiju, ali Paul Gallo nije iskoristio
jedanaesterac u odlucujucem momentu.

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by Manos Milios

### TA KYHEAAA TOY EPOBIZIONAA DE EAAHNIKA KIPIA - KAAPINTA KAI AOGA MANNHTYPIZOYN

Τό Προβίζιουαλ Κάπ τών άναπληρωματικών δμάδων τό κέοδισε ή Δόξα άλλάνμε πολύ κόπο άφού χρειάστηκε άρκετή τύχη στόν κοτο αφού χρειαστηκε άρκετή τύχη στόν πανουικό άγενα και μετά στά πέωλατυ τήν Βοήθεια τού θαυμάσιου γκολκήπεο τής Α΄ δωάδως Κάστα Γκιάτα π-ό ά-έκρουσε δύο πέναλτι τών παικτών τού Λεωνίδω. Ό κανουικός άγωνας έληζε 3-3 και τά τέ

ρματα τά είχαν πετύχει οί Λιακόπουλος 2 καί Σταχτιάρης γιά την Δόζα καί Πατερά-κης 2,θαλασσινός γιά τόν Λεωνίδα.

'Ας σημειωθεί ότι όταν τό σκόρ ήταν 2-2 δ Λεωνίδας πέτυχε καί τρίτο τέρμα καί ά μέσως μετά έχασε πέναλτυ πού θά τού έξα:

σφάλιζε την νίκη. "Η Δόζα μέ τον Λιακόπουλο έκανε τό 3-3 καί στήν παράταση δέν άλλαξε τό σκόρ γιά νά κτυπηθούν πέναλτυ πού είχαν ώς έξής: Κουτρουβέλης (Δόξα) I-O

Λιακουρέας (Λεωνίδας) - Ι-Ι θαλασσινός (Λεωνίδας) 2-2 Λιακόπουλος(Δόξα) Αποστολάκος(Λεωνίδας) Πανδπουλος (ΔδΕα) δοκάοι Τσονίδης (Λεων.) άπέκρουσε δ Γκιάτας.

'Ωρολογάς (Δόξα) Πατεράκης (Λεωνίδας) Σουμελίδης (Δόξα) Κουτούλης (Λεωνίδας) 5-5

Τ.Μελέτης (Δόξα) 6-5 Κωστής (Λεωνίδας) άπεκρουσε δ Γκιάτας. Από την Δόζα ξεχώρισαν οι Λιακόπουλος Βαλσαμάκης, Σταχτιάρης καί ό Γκιάτας ό-ταν έπαιζε στήν κανονική του θέση σάν

τερματοφύλακας. ΄ 'Από τόν άτυχο Λεωνίδα ό Λιακουρέας μέ τήν πείρα του ήταν δ καλύτερος.

### ETHN HAPATARH KAI AKKAIA H KAAPINTA NIKHES TO EMPINKBAINA KE 3 - 2

Ή Κλαρίντα μέρδισε δίμαια το Προθίζιο ναλ Κάπ άπο το Σπρινμβαίηλ άφου κόντεψε

ε το χαρίσει στούς άντιπόλους της καί Βοέθημε άπό Ι-υ πού ήταν μπροστά άπό τό 54° με πεναλτυ του Κουτέσι, να χάνει στό 85° 2-Ι ένω 4 λεπτά πρίν είχε δεχθεί τήν

ίσοφάριση. Σό 2-2 έκανε δ Γκατζώνης στό 90° καί στή παράταση δ Α.Αποστολόπουλος πέτυχε τό με γάλο 3-2 πού χάοισε καί τό Κύπελλο στήν

Στό ίδιο γήπεδο πού έγιναν οί άγώνες παραυρέθηκε και δ Γραμματέας του VSF κ. Γου άλλας δ δποίος έκανε καί την απονομή τών

### OPANT AMMITPIOY: NEGTOE HAIKTHE

Ο οίτος Κπάκ τής πρωταθλήτριας Δόξας Γιάροαβιλ βγήκε ὁ πρώτος παίκτης στήν κα τηγορία τής Α'τού Προβίζιοναλ Λήγκ. Τό περασμένο Ζάββατο πήρε τό μετάλλιο άπό την Βικτωριανή "Ομοσπονόζα. Στην Β' τού Προβίζιοναλ την Ιη θέση την κέρδισε δ Β. Γκατζώνης τής Κλαρίντας.

### EANIASE PIA HOAREE OMAASE

πολλές είναι οι έλπίδες γιά τις δμάδες πού άνήκουν στην Βικτωριανή 'Ομοσπονδία άλλες νά μείνουν στίς κατηγορίες τους και νά μήν ύποβιβαστούν και άλλες γιά νά

πάνε άκόμη πιό φηλά. 'Όλα αύτά θά γίνουν μετά την έτησια Γενι κή Συνέλευση τού VSP πού θά γίνει στίς

27 του "Οκτώβρη 1983. Οι ένδιαφερόμενες όμαδες θα πρέπει να ό-

ποβάλουν σύντομα τίς αίτήσεις τους. 'Απ'ότι άκούσαμε οἱ θέσεις πού θά μείνουν κενές στό Μετροπόλιταν θά είναι 9 ή 8. Υπάργει περίπτωση νά μην ύποβιβαστούν ή

Κ. Έλλας και τό Ηπράθτον. ΄ Επίσης κάτι πού συζητιέται πολύ είναι ό προβιβασμός της τουρχιχής δμάδας Χόλλαντ Πάρχ χαθώς χαί της δμάδας του Σέππαρτον στήν κατηγορία τού Στέητ Δήγκ.

στήν απετηγορία τού Στέητ Δήγα. Στό μεταγύ δπάρχει δ χίνδυνος γιά την ό-μάδα τής "Σλλάς τού Στέητ Δήγα πού ύποδι βάζεται στήν Α΄ τού Μετροπόλιταν νά τήν διαλύσει ή "Ομοσπονδία, όπως καί τίς όμά-

δες τής Τζάστ, τού Πέρστον καί τού Μέγα. 'Αν τό "Εθνικό πρωτάθλημα γίνει σε δόο δμίλους οί τρείς τελευταίες θά διαλύσουν όριστικά, ενώ καί ή Έλλας θά έχει τήν [-

### YMAPKOYN ANTIPPHEEIE

Οι άνθρωποι όμως τής Έλλάς έχουν άντιρρή σεις και ζητάνε νά τούς έπιτραπεί τουλάχι ο νά πουλήσουν την όμάδα σάν σύλλογο της τού Μετροπόλιταν.

Ήδη όπως ακούγεται το Μορντιάλλοκ έγει δεί ξει Ενδιαφέρον. Πάντως άπ' ότι γνωρίζουμε δέν είναι καί λί-

γοι οί παράγουτες της Έλλάς πού το έχουν ήδη πάρει άπόφαση γιά την διάλυση. Μάλιστα παράγων τού συλλόγου μάς είπε: "Τό μόνο πού χερδίσαμε άπό την άγορά της Χακόα ήταν τό ότι μείναμε μόνοι μας στό Μίντλ -

### TO EAAHNIKO KYHEAAO

'Αρχίζει τό Έλληνικό Κύπελλο τού Μορντιά-λοκ στίς 6 τού Νοξμβρη 1983.

Όπως άκούσαμε - γιατί ή στήλη δέν έχει πά ρει άκόμη κανένα έντυπο ένημερωτικό άπ' τόν ύπεύθυνο- οί άγώνες θά γίνονται Κυριακές καί Τετάρτες. Τό τελευταίο (κάθε Τετάρτη) είναι κάτι πού

όπωσδήποτε άνησυχεί ώς πρός την έπιτυχία του τουρνουά γιατί είναι τρομερά δύσκολο μιά διάδα νά συγκεντοώσει τούς έργαζδιενούς παίκτες της καθημερινή και μάλιστα στό μακ-ρυνό γήπεδο τού Μορντιάλλοκ. "Βμείς πάντως εύχόμεθα καλή έπιτυχία καί...

περιμένουμε νέα άπό τον ύπεύθυνο της έπιτ-

### NEA EALAS

ΜΕ Επιστολή του 6 πρόεδρος τής Ν. Ελλάς κ.Α. πε επιστοκή του ο προεορος της Ν.Σλιας κ.Α. Πάππας μάς κάνει γνωστή τήν ένωση της όμά- όας του με τήν Κυκριακή Σεντραλ Σίτυ. Συγκεκριμένα μάς γράφει: "Με τό γεγονός αφτό άνοίγεται μιά καινούργια σελίδα για τόν Εστορικό σύλλογο. Τό όνομα τού συλλόγου παραμένει Ν.Ελλάς.

οι φίλαθλοι ός δποστηρίξουν την νέα μας δ μάδα γιά νά έχει ένα λαμπρό μέλλον".

### FENIKH EYNEABYEH TOY KAIDTON XIA

Η Γενική Συνέλευση τού Κλίφτον Χίλ Ρά γι-νει στίς 30 τού Όκτώβρη 1983 στήν λέσχη τού γηπέδου.

Στίζ Ι9 τού Νοέμβρη Ι983 ή πρωταθλήτρια τής Β΄τού Προβίζιοναλ Λήγκ Μάλβερν Σίτυ, δίνει τον έτήσιο χορό της στό "Έμπασσυ

Κατά την διάρκεια της βραδυάς θά δοθούν καί τά άναμνηστικά έπαθλα στούς παίκτες πού κέρδισαν άξια τό πρωτάθλημα. Οι φίλοι του Μάλβερν μπορούν να τηλεφωνή σουν για είσιτήρια στό 568 5683 χ.Γιατρά

### ENGIH HONTIGN

ΔΑΝΟΘΕ ΝΑΙ όρα 6.45 στό Μίντλ Πάρκ ή πρω ταθλήτρια τής Α΄ κατηγορίας τού 'Ιντάστ-ριαλ Αήγκ Ένωση Πουτίων θά άντιμετωπίσει σε φιλική συνάντηση τήν όμάδα κάτω τών 19 τής Έλλάς ή δποία θά είναι ένισχυμένη με τον Χρήστο Ηπεκιάρη και μερικούς παίκτες άπό την δμάδα τού Στέητ Λήγκ.

Γιά τον άγώνα καλούνται οί παίκτες τής Έν. Ποντίων όπως βρίσκονται έγκαίρως στό γήπε

### TO ROTHMANS MEDAL ETON ETEDAN MINA

Τελικά τό ROTHMANS MEDAL τό κέρδισε ό άμυ υτικός τής Πολόνιας Στέφαν Μίλα δ όποίος ήταν άρρωστος καί δέν παραυρέθηκε στήν Εκ δήλωση πού έγινε την περασμένη Πέμπτη στό ζενοδοχείο τής Μελβούρνης Σάουθερν Χρός. Ο Μίλα συγκέντρωσε 35 βαθμούς, έναντι 33 τού Κάμμιγκ τής Κροάτιας καί 29 τού Γιώρ γου Βοζίκη τού 'Ηρακλή. Τό ROTHMANS MEDAL ήταν τό 13ο καί όπως κά

θε χρόνο σημείωσε καί πάλι έπιτυχία.



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'80							1-0
'81							2-1
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